

4-00407

LOUISVILLE

—AFTER THE—

TORNADO.



VIEW OF THE CITY AFTER THE TORNADO.

The Tornado on the night of March 27, 1890, at 8.30 was, in all respects, one of the most terrible of the kind to which the Continent of North America has ever been subjected, since its settlement by white men has made a reliable record of such occurrences possible. In point of violence, in the great damage caused, and the sad loss of human life attending it, the visitation stands unparalleled, and the City of Louisville, as a point near or at the centre of the great monster, became the scene of its most disastrous results and greatest damage. On the evening of Thursday, at the hour mentioned, the terrible storm swept over the Western end of the City. The people who were on the streets, they were not many as it was raining heavily, the thunder clattered and roared over head, the lightning flashed from the sky, were aware that the storm was quite an unusual one. The air was soft and warm

RKH
R614.84
L888

and a gentle breeze spattered the rain, the breeze increased, and observant people were impressed as the air grew heavier and heavier, while the thunder rattled, that the Tornado predicted by the Signal Service in the afternoon papers, was moving on the City. The wind increased to a gale, howling through the streets, whistling down chimneys, and lashing the rain furiously against the houses. Before another lightning flash the Tornado was upon the City, and everything in the path of the mighty atmospheric force was roaring, whirling darkness, and then—men, women and children lie entombed among the ruins. All through the long hours of darkness, pelted by the pitiless gusts that rushed howling in the train of the destroying monster, devoted bands of searchers explored the ruins that entombed none could tell how many writhing or stiffening victims. The gallant firemen fighting the constantly outbreaking flames with floods of water, while the



VIEW OF MAIN FROM NINTH STREET, LOOKING WEST.

(Photo by W. Stuber & Bro.)

police drew cordons about these workers and guarded the exposed millions of dollars of goods in the roofless and shattered warehouses and stores.

It is a rather curious statement to make, but a fact nevertheless, that, one-half the people did not know until the following morning that the storm was other than an unusually severe one, and that a Tornado mighty for destruction as Chaos itself, had cut a path through the residential and commercial part of the city five blocks in width and many in length, had bounded with the eccentric motions of a huge elastic sphere of destruction to the edge of the Ohio river, sinking coal boats and barges, reached the Indiana shore w

WATCHES.

VICTOR M. LORCH,

CLOCKS.

THE EAST-END

JEWELER AND



OPTICIAN,

DIAMONDS.

No. 256 E. Market Street,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

JEWELRY.

NIC. BOSLER,

DEALER IN

Leather and



Shoe Findings,



MANUFACTURER OF

BOOT · AND · SHOE · UPPERS

536 W. Market Street,

LOUISVILLE, KY.
415818

riotous force puissant for havoc, demolished half dozen blocks of Jeffersonville, and then bounded away into the open country beyond.

Death and destruction, twin associates of cyclonic forces, had come to Louisville and wiped out ninety-four human lives.

Friday morning dawned upon a scene of devastation, the like of which was never witnessed in this city before, and which has rarely, if ever, been equalled in the experience of any city in this country. Daylight only added new horrors to the situation by revealing the appalling extent of the ruin.

People who had slept peacefully in their beds and found the first intimation of the calamity in the morning newspapers, hurried to the scenes and stood aghast at the wreck the storm had wrought.



VIEW OF MAIN STREET FROM TENTH, LOOKING EAST.

(Photo by W. Stuber & Bro.)

But there was enough of the scene visible at this distance to lookers-on to fill their minds with shuddering awe, and display the tremendous quality of that force, which in an instant replaced substantial order by fragmentary Chaos, and changed happy homes to shattered seats of mourning.

THE POLICE MANAGEMENT.

It required all the tact and authority of the police officers to restrain the crowd, and maintain their line within which lay the awful expanse of ruined buildings, wrecked fortunes and buried lives. Soon after

PH.
W. STUBER & BRO.



◇ **PHOTOGRAPHERS** ◇

532 FOURTH AVENUE,



LOUISVILLE, KY.

Sole Agent
—FOR THE—

R. B. GEOGHEGAN,

Sole Agent
—FOR THE—

World Renowned Knox Hats. Celebrated Henry Heath Imported Hats

LEADING HAT

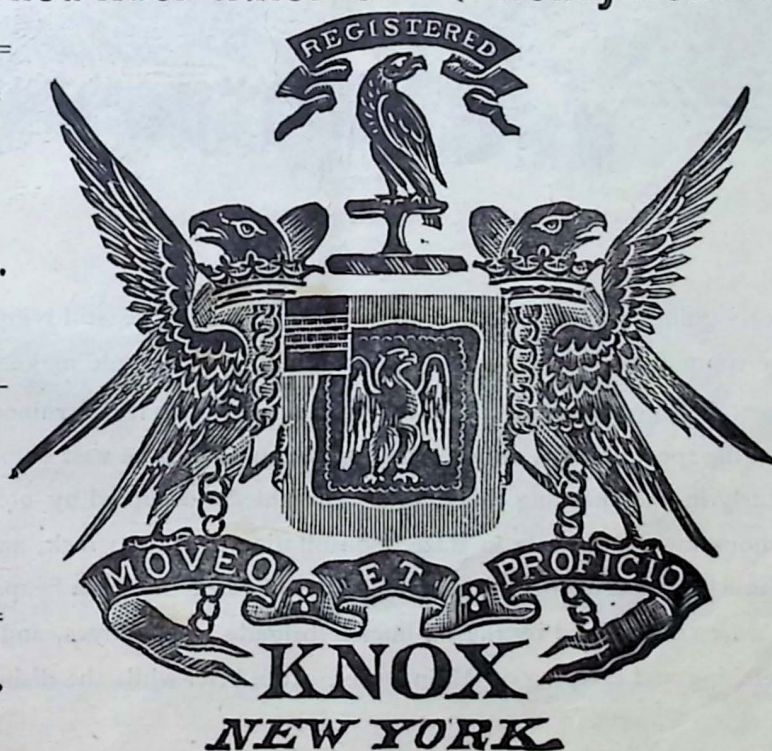
MANUFACTURERS

Jas. B. Stetson & Co.

Wm. L. Kelso & Co.

**STRAW
HATS.**

11 Fourth Ave.
COURIER-JOURNAL BLD'G.



UMBRELLAS,
CANES

✦ and FURS
—OF—
EVERY DESCRIPTION.

**KNOX ·
· HATS**

A SPECIALTY.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

o'clock, when the pressure of the crowd had become almost irresistible, the worn-out civil guardians were relieved by the overcoated soldiers of the Louisville Legion, who marched to the boundaries of the devastated district armed and equipped for duty, by order of the Governor, and, swiftly taking up position by details, they entered upon a long guard service, that ended only when the property uncovered and hurled out into the streets had been placed again in other safe depositories.

CONDUCT OF THE SIGHT-SEERS.

There was little resentment shown by the crowd kept beyond the lines, as the necessity for such regulations was well understood, in view of the presence of a lawless element in the city, which would not scruple to inaugurate shameless and wholesale pilfering among the tempting stores lying scattered everywhere, and



RUINS OF VIRGIL WRIGHT'S CIGAR STORE.

it was plain that the efforts going forward for the rescue of those who were still lying underneath piles of debris must have room and system, which an unrestricted crowd would make impossible.

It was along Main street between Seventh and Eleventh, however, that the ruinous effects of the storm were most enormous, that the spectator was afforded an approximation of the vast damages done to the Commerce of Louisville. Early in the morning this section was chiefly occupied by gloomy-faced merchants, manufacturers and warehousemen, who were in dazed consultation over the wreck, and formulating plans for extracting and saving some portions of their goods that were piled in immense heaps intermingled with all sorts of debris. These were soon joined by the tin-bucket brigade of employes, and carts and drays which do the heavy work of fetching and carrying on Main street. In a brief while the disheartening job of salvage

George T. Waring & Co.

LUMBER

DEALERS,

No. 1003 West Broadway,



LOUISVILLE, KY.

Telephone 1775, Ring 2.

Wall Papers AND Window Shades

IMITATION STAINED GLASS,



First-Class
WORKMANSHIP
AND
REASONABLE
PRICES,

—GO TO—

JOHN JUSTI,

331 & 333

Jefferson St.,

BETWEEN

3rd & 4th Aves.,

Tyler Block.

Telephone 1263,

Ring 3.

You see the WIFE, but where is the MOTHER-IN-LAW ?

E. JENNINGS & CO., Props.

Oriental · Steam · Laundry,

1407 FIFTH STREET.

Goods Called for and Delivered
to all Parts of the City.

F. K. HARVEY, Manager.



PRICE-LIST.

Collars	1 1/2 cts.	Socks (pairs)	4 cts.
Collars, Boys' Cape	3 "	Sheets	6 "
Cuffs (pairs)	3 "	Pillow Slips	5 "
Drawers	6 "	Towels	3 "
Handkerchiefs	3 "	Vests	15 "
Shirts	10 to 16 "	Coats	25 "
Night Shirts	8 "	Waists	10 "
Undershirts	6 "	Counterpanes	25 "

TELEPHONE 580, RING 4.

W. H. HILL

Locksmith and Bell Hanger

AND DEALER IN

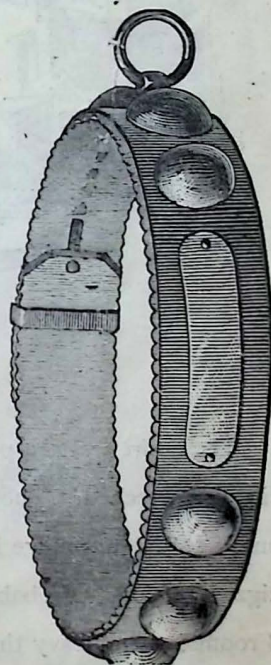
HARDWARE

CUTLERY,

Mechanics' Tools,
Farmers' Supplies, Etc.

403 N. S. BROADWAY,
One Door above Preston,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

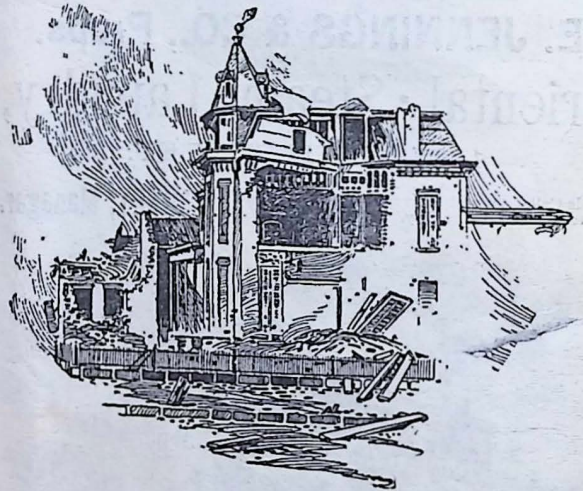
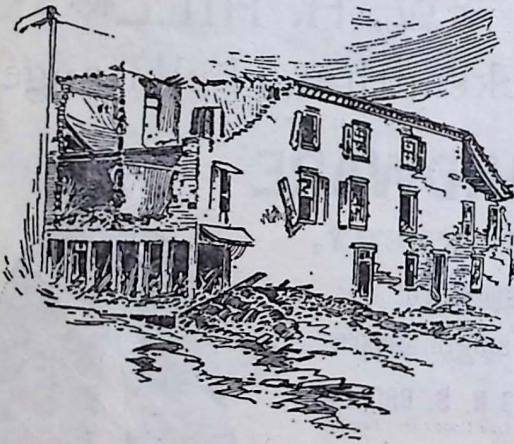


TELEPHONE 1567, Ring 2.

REPAIRING PROMPTLY EXECUTED.

and clearing away was begun and, all day long, these proprietors and humble sons of toil labored together to make an impression upon the contorted heap.

In several places the tottering walls, wedged out by the fallen contents of the building, made such efforts exceedingly dangerous; but no accident was reported as occurring, and, when night fell, the success of this labor had been sufficient to restore much of the characteristic grit to the hearts of these crippled princes of trade. One by one placards began to appear against the ruins, notifying the "removal" of this or that particular firm to new quarters.



PARKLAND.

The entire western portion of the town of Parkland, which lies just beyond the southwestern limits of the city was wrecked. The storm struck that place before reaching this city, and its course was a most peculiar one. It did not move in a direct line, mowing down a path before it, but went about its dreadful work in a zigzag fashion. Probably the first building struck by the wind was a handsome two-story brick residence of 8 rooms. The heavy tin roof was rolled up like a piece of paper and carried a long distance. This was the

LUMBER.

LUMBER.

—HEADQUARTERS FOR—

LUMBER, SHINGLES, LATH, ETC.

JOHN W. GRAHAM,

(Son of the late John Graham.)

—NEW LOCATION—

North-East corner Fourteenth and Broadway Streets,

DOORS, SASH.

BLINDS, M'D'GS.

M. M. TAYLOR, late Superintendent with H. J. Lewis & Bro.

W. H. MONTGOMERY.

TENTH · STREET · PLANING · MILL.

—TAYLOR & MONTGOMERY—

Successors in the Planing Mill Business to H. J. Lewis & Bro.

MANUFACTURERS OF

Doors, Sash, Blinds, Stairs, Mouldings, Brackets, &c.

AND DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF BUILDING LUMBER

806 to 814 Tenth St., bet. Madison & Chestnut,

LOUISVILLE, KY.



Warehouses 1, 2 & 3, Hamilton Ave.

W. G. COLDEWEY, President.

THOS. L. BARRET, Vice Prest.

LOUISVILLE PUBLIC WAREHOUSE Co.

—STORAGE—

200 Compartments for Furniture, each under Separate Lock and Key of Rentor.

Special Fire-Proof Vaults for Silverware and other Valuables.

INSPECTION INVITED.



Warehouse No. 4.

THE H. I. CHAMBERS CO.

Livery, Sale and



Training Stable.

Nos. 539, 541 and 543 Third Avenue,

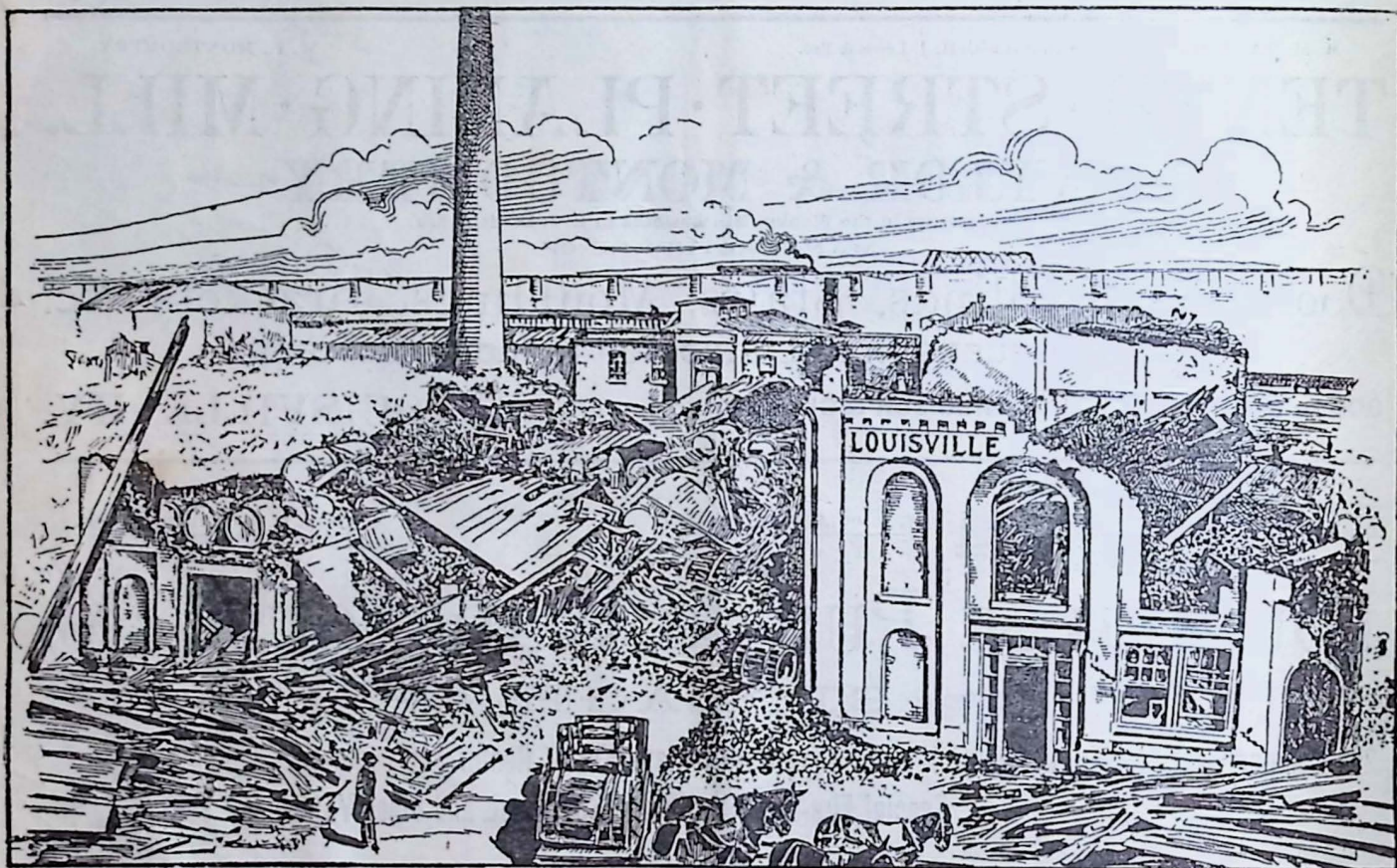
LOUISVILLE, KY.

Telephone 1744, Ring 2.

first warning the inmates of the houses had of actual danger, although the pelting hail and shaking of roofs had already frightened them.

The handsome frame School House was lifted from its foundation, and moved several feet, being utterly destroyed. The Daisy Line Depot, a handsome little building, was almost totally destroyed, and the track covered with debris for several hundred yards. There were several people in the depot at the time, and upon the first cracking of the timbers they rushed for a place of safety; all got outside before the building fell, but a number were struck by the flying fragments and painfully injured, though none were seriously hurt.

The Masonic Temple was injured in the upper floor, but without much damage. This was considered one of the handsomest structures in Parkland.



MAIN STREET, BETWEEN TENTH AND ELEVENTH.

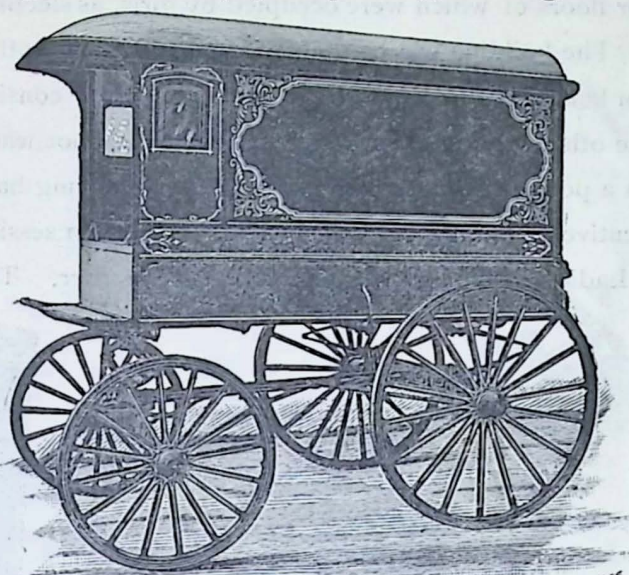
(Photo by W. Stuber & Bro.)

Just to the west of the town was a large strip of ground handsomely fenced in, known as the Old Orchard Property. The giant trees had withstood the attacks of storms, and scarcely a limb had ever been broken on before.

The morning after the Tornado not a single tree of all the Grove stood with its head to the sky. The fence was first levelled to the ground, then the tops of the trees were cut off as if twigs—the trunks following and even the roots were torn from the ground. Some of the trees were lifted bodily and carried a considerable distance, being piled on each other in the utmost confusion.

The track of the storm in Parkland was about three blocks wide, but in such a zigzag manner that it was almost impossible to measure the exact track. To the west of the town from the direction in which the monster had come, a path several hundred yards wide was mowed down.

PETER M. ANDRIOT,
MANUFACTURER OF
Light and Heavy Spring Wagons,



Nos. 205 & 207 Green Street,
Bet. Second and Third. **LOUISVILLE, KY.**
Horse Shoeing and Repairing done on Short Notice
at Reasonable Prices.

THE WAYT DENTAL CO.

FOUR EXPERIENCED DENTISTS AND A
KIND AND EFFICIENT LADY ATTENDANT.



Indorsed and patronized by one hundred reputable Physi-
cians and fifty Ministers.
Business for the past six years at old prices, one hundred
and fifty thousand dollars; at our established prices,
seventy-five thousand dollars. **Fresh Gas Daily.**
N. E. cor. Third and Jefferson Sts., LOUISVILLE, KY.



CHAS. EGGERS.

MERCHANT TAILOR

357 MARKET
BET. PRESTON & FLOYD
STREETS
LOUISVILLE, KY.

PORTMAN & HAYSLEY,
General • Commission • Merchants,

AND DEALERS IN FRUITS, PRODUCE AND VEGETABLES,

No. 165 W. Jefferson Street, bet. First and Second,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

TELEPHONE 1769, RING 2.

ORDERS and CONSIGNMENTS SOLICITED.

REFERENCE—German Insurance Bank.

THE CENTERS OF DEATH.

The centers of death in a wholesale form were in two places. Virgil Wright's cigar store on Main street between Sixth and Seventh, a three-story house, the upper floors of which were occupied by girls, as sleeping rooms, employed in the laundry of the Louisville Hotel. The building was completely wrecked. The other was Falls City Hall, a composite structure, the ground floor being used as a market. The second floor consisted of three rooms, two of which was used for the toilet, the other serving as an office; on the third floor was a large assembly hall and back of it was a smaller one with a polished floor which was used as a dancing hall. There were also three lodge rooms on this floor, the Executive Committee of Roman Knights were in session in one of these rooms, Jewel Lodge No. 2 Knights and Ladies of Honor were in session in another. The



FALLS CITY HALL.

(Photo by W. Stuber & Bro.)

day after the Tornado, the remnants of these Lodges met and appointed a relief committee to aid the members suffering from want.

The knowledge that so many lives were lost and that so many bodies were still hidden by the fallen walls of the Falls City Market building, made this point the chief attraction for sight-seers, and at the lines above and below the guards were constantly importuned for permission to approach closer to the spot; but only those who were connected with the searching parties or relatives of the missing or recovered wounded and dead were permitted to pass the military pale.

GERNERT BROS. AND KOEHLER CO.

LUMBER



BEFORE AND AFTER THE TORNADO.

Sixth and A Streets,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

FINK & FELDHAUS,

This Saddle is our No. 1 Fink's Patent Leather Tree Centennial.

Fink's Leather Tree Saddle

—WHOLESALE MANUFACTURERS OF—

✦ SADDLES ✦

Harness and Bridles,

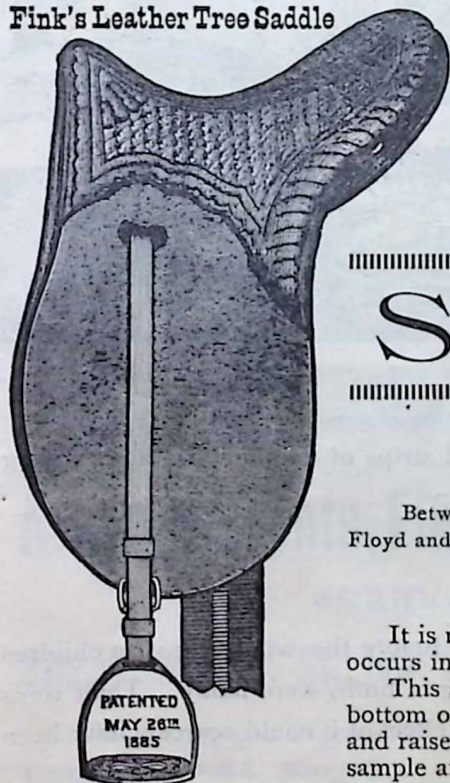
—AND DEALERS IN—

Saddlery • Hardware,

351 East Market Street,

Between
Floyd and Preston.

LOUISVILLE, KY.



It is made on a solid leather tree, consequently no danger of Tree breaking, which often occurs in other saddles. It will fit any horse. No danger of hurting either horse or rider.

This saddle is made of best No. 1 skirting. Length of skirt, from center of seat to bottom of flap, 24 inches; width of skirt, 12½ inches. Has a calfskin seat, star stitched and raised. The seat is stitched to skirt by hand. Has a good large linsey pad. Try a sample and you will be pleased. **Ask your Dealer for them.**

Those who gazed between the lines could see the piles of broken timbers and loosened bricks taken from the ruins heaped up on the sidewalk where the building had stood or conveyed across the opposite side of the street; could see the great heaps constantly growing under the feverish energy of the dusty and begrimed workmen, and could see, now and then, the passage of a group of workmen carrying a recovered body to the extemporized morgue over the way; could turn and gaze in every direction upon shattered houses and torn roofs and tangled skeins of telegraph and telephone wires; upon iron nails drawn bodily from car tracks and twisted into all sorts of fantastic shapes; could look into huge gaps in the walls of dwellings where the furniture was wrecked and broken and partly buried under the horrible lime dust, ground and flung by the tornado over the sacred shrines of the household; could glance upwards and shrink from the bulging walls of



BAXTER PARK.

other houses still standing but none the less ruined, and see long shriveled strips of metallic roofing hanging overhead in menace and rattling in the wind with a sort of hideous mockery.

BAXTER PARK.

Baxter Park, at 11th and Jefferson, was as pretty a bit of Parkland before the wind came, as children ever played in. Great tall maples and sycamores, big of girth and strong of limb, were many. Their roots were deep in the soil. The Tornado swooped down into the Park and the effect of it could scarcely have been

JNO. T. MOORE, President.

WM. TILLMAN, Treasurer.

A. H. MCATEE, Secretary.

FALLS CITY INSURANCE CO.

OF LOUISVILLE.

Capital Paid up = = \$250,000.00.

FIRE, CYCLONE,



**STEAM
Boiler Explosion**

INSURANCE

◀ OAKLAND HOME INSURANCE CO. ▶

— OF CALIFORNIA. —

MOORE, TILLMAN & MCATEE, Genl. Agts.

ALSO LOCAL AGENTS FOR

LEADING AGENCY COMPANIES.

OFFICES, S. W. Cor. Main and Seventh Sts., LOUISVILLE, KY.

HIRAM A. GOOCH.

THOS. C. GOOCH.

THE GOOCH ELECTRIC CO.

We are prepared to furnish Light and Motor Power. Parties desiring Electric service, either for Light or Motors, will find it greatly to their advantage to consult us before making any contracts, as we run 24 hours and 7 days a week.

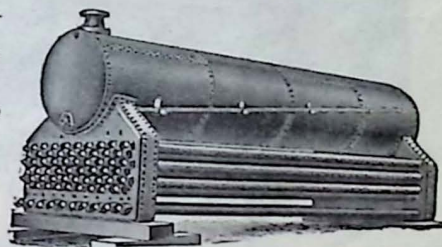
We are prepared to furnish or erect complete Electric and Steam Plants, isolated and municipal.

SPECIALTIES:

Motor Electric Plants, Beck's Automatic Engines,
Heine Boilers, Brightman Stokers.

H. A. & T. C. GOOCH,
448 W. Main Street,

STATION: Alley, bet. 4th & 5th, Main & Market. Telephone 1132-2.



THOMAS H. REES,

— MANUFACTURER OF —

Awnings, Tents, Flags, Horse & Wagon Covers, Tarpaulins, &c.

✽ CANVAS WORK OF ALL KINDS TO ORDER ✽

215 W. Market St., bet. 2nd & 3rd,

✽ LOUISVILLE, KY. ✽

We pay Especial attention to the manufacture of everything that can be made of Cotton Duck and Bunting.
Telephone 1184, Ring 2. Orders by mail Promptly attended to.

greater if the wind had picked up the Park, whirled it around and set it back in place. The great trees were felled and some of them with their roots and tons of earth were plucked from the ground as a gardener would a turnip and tossed a dozen feet away.

A block above the park a huge maple tree that grew at the edge of the sidewalk was blown over by the wind against the eaves of a two-story brick house. The tornado skipped this house altogether wrecking a house across the street, leaped into the air and came down upon a row of houses in the rear of the tree the house supports and tumbled them to pieces. The four blocks around the park were wrecked as completely as if dynamite had been carefully placed and exploded so that it could do the maximum of damage.

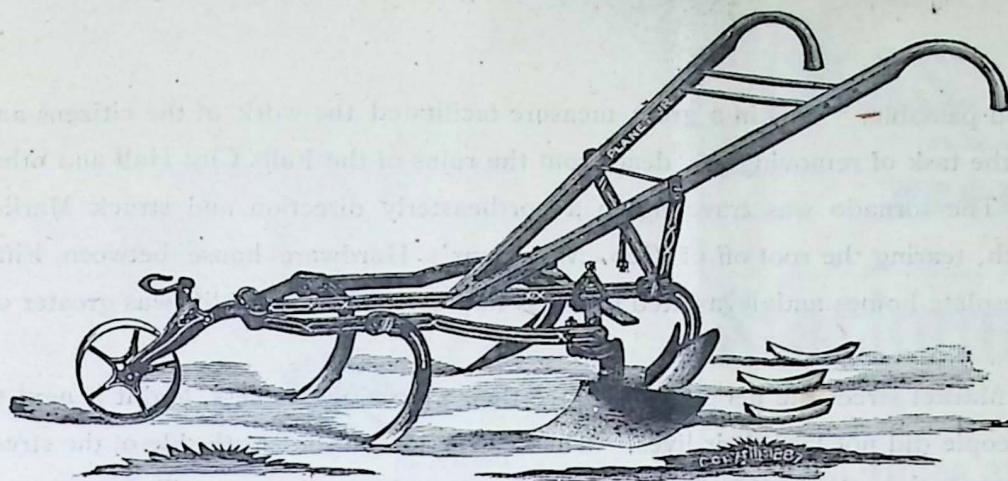


MARKET STREET, BETWEEN ELEVENTH AND TWELFTH STREETS.

MARKET STREET.

Perhaps the most destructive work done by the tornado was on Market street. For three squares north of Ninth street nearly every business and dwelling house was devastated. Houses were hurled into the street, and the debris in many places was piled thirty feet high. The picture of sorrow and desolation to be witnessed on Market street where homeless women and children were wandering about viewing the places from where they so narrowly escaped the night previous, baffles description. Every house from Ninth to Eleventh street was almost totally demolished. West and east of these streets the tornado did frightful damage, but the destruction of property was hardly so great.

At the dawn of day men were put to work removing the debris, and after laboring assiduously for several



William Stilz,

—DEALER IN—

SEEDS,

FRUIT ^{and} PRODUCE

✦ COMMISSION MERCHANT ✦

213 W. Market St.,

Telephone 958,
Ring 2.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Agent for Planet, Jr. Horse
and Hand Tools.

S. C. SHEPPARD, STEAM FORGE WORKS,

FORGINGS OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS AND GENERAL BLACKSMITHING,

Hog Chains, Rods, Bolts and Nuts, A Large Assortment of Turnbuckles,

317 NINTH STREET, BET. MARKET AND JEFFERSON,

Telephone 1007, Ring 2.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

All Work Executed by the Latest Improved Machinery. Special Attention Given to Contractors Work.

Hukenbeck, Brinkhaus & Co.

MANUFACTURERS OF



→ **Trunks, Valises, Satchels** ←

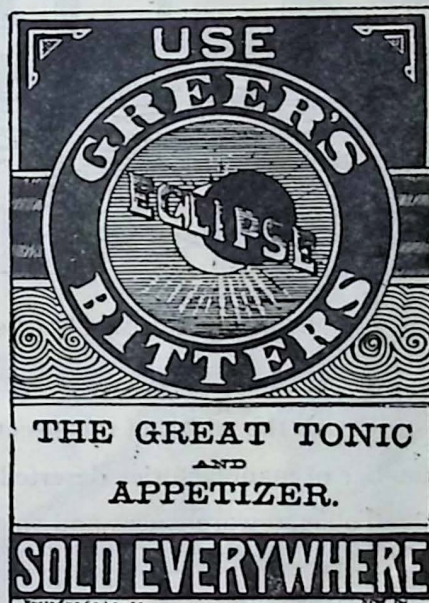
TRAVELING BAGS, &c., &c.

SALESROOM: 373 East Market Street, bet. Floyd and Preston.

FACTORY: 829 to 835 East Green Street,

Office Telephone 1515, Ring 2.

Factory Telephone 1515, Ring 3. **LOUISVILLE, KY.**

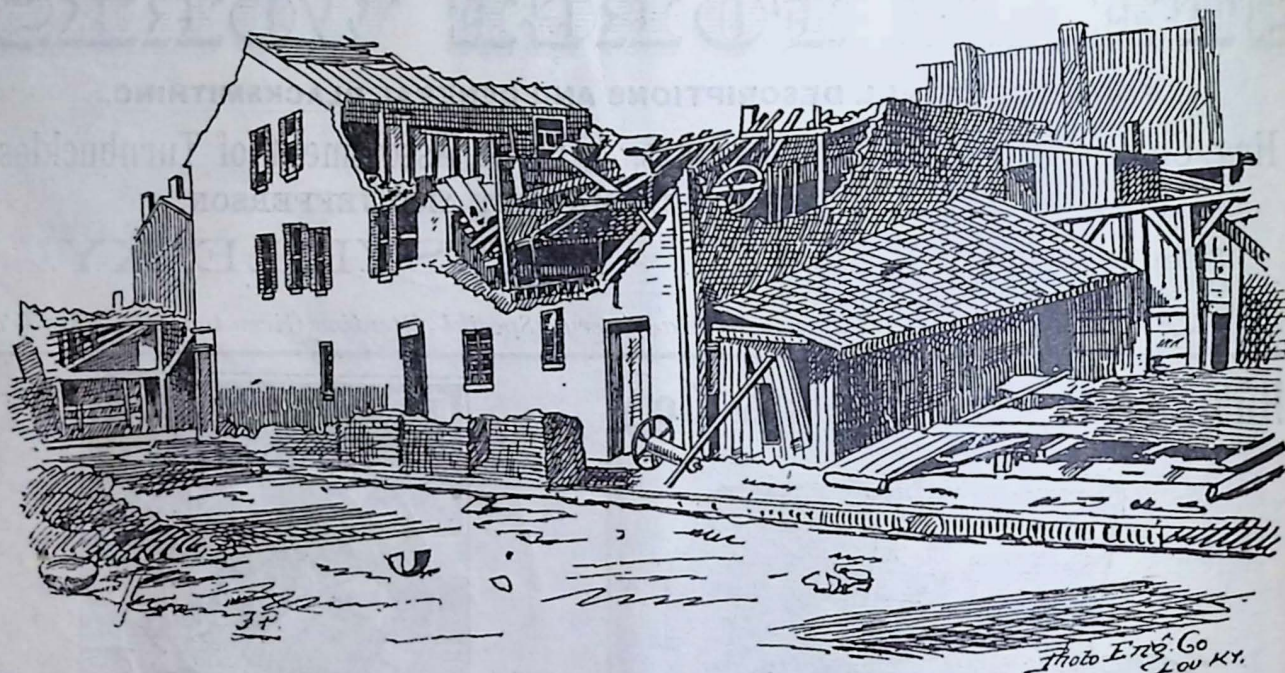


USE GREER'S ECLIPSE REMEDIES

ECLIPSE LINIMENT.
THE KING OF PAIN KILLERS
ECLIPSE LIVER PILLS,
CURE CONSTIPATION INDIGESTION & ETC.
ECLIPSE VERMIFUGE,
GIVES INSTANT RELIEF
ECLIPSE SARSAPARILLA,
THE GREAT BLOOD PURIFIER
ECLIPSE BITTERS,
THE GREAT TONIC & APPETIZER
MANUFACTURED BY
N. GREER & CO. LOUISVILLE, KY.
FOR SALE EVERYWHERE. 0715

hours, the streets were rendered passable. This in a great measure facilitated the work of the citizens and laborers who were engaged in the task of removing the dead from the ruins of the Falls City Hall and other houses along Market street. The tornado was traveling in a northeasterly direction and struck Market street between Fifth and Twelfth, tearing the roof off of Geo. W. Menz's Hardware house between Fifth and Sixth, leaving behind it desolate homes and devastated business houses. The loss of life was greater on that street than any other.

In nearly every house along Market street the people live above their places of business, and it is next to a miracle that twice as many people did not lose their lives. The destruction on the north side of the street was greatest, and not a single house from Seventh to Twelfth escaped the ruinous element. The number of dead and injured were materially less than those on the south side. Circumstances that account for the



REAR OF TOOMEY'S GROCERY STORE, ELEVENTH AND MARKET STREETS.

light loss of life are the width of the streets, the standing of houses in wide lots, the smallness of the houses, and the number of manufactories deserted at the hour of the storm. Main and Market streets were largely occupied by Tobacco warehouses and small manufactories relating to the Tobacco trade.

JEFFERSON STREET.

Next to Market and Main streets, Jefferson street probably suffered more than any other portion of the city. From Ninth to Twelfth street the destruction was complete. The sidewalks and streets were a network of wires, telegraph poles, trees and remnants of houses. In many places the street was totally blocked by the roofings torn from the stores, some of which had been carried by the hurricane two squares, or more. Wagons were unable to reach many of the homes of those who were anxious to move the remainder of their furniture.



E. B. SLOAN.

C. H. DAWERS.

SLOAN & DAWERS,

—*TAILORS*—

231 Fifth St., opp. Kenyon Building.
LOUISVILLE, KY.

CHAS. NORMAN,

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in

BOOKS,

Stationery AND News,

School, Office and General Stationery
OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

No. 611 W. Market Street,

Bet. Sixth & Seventh,
Near Deppen's.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

PERIODICALS DELIVERED BY MAIL OR CARRIER TO
ANY PART OF THE CITY.

✦ MAIL ORDERS SOLICITED. ✦

DR. JOHN DAVIS, President.

E. P. MARSHALL, Secretary.

—♦— THE —♦—
Union Central Life
INSURANCE COMPANY,
OF CINCINNATI, O.

Issues Endowment Policies at Life Rates on its Life Rate
Endowment Plan.

Under this Policy the Insured Protects his Family if he
dies, and Gets the Benefit Himself if he lives.

All Policies are incontestable and Non-Forfeitable, and
without restrictions on residence or travel.

For several years the UNION CENTRAL has experi-
enced the Lowest Death Rate and realized the Highest
Interest Rate of any company.

~~~~~  
**GOOD AND RELIABLE AGENTS WANTED**

. In Every Town in the State where not now represented. .  
APPLY TO

**C. C. EARLY, STATE SUP'T.**

No. 349 West Main Street, - LOUISVILLE, KY.

Or, JOHN M. PATTISON, Vice-President.

**REFRIGERATORS, OILS and GAS STOVES.**

**GEO. W. MENZ,**  
DEALER IN  
FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC  
**BIRDS**  
Bird Cages & Bird Seeds  
OF ALL KINDS.  
521 West Market Street,  
BET. FIFTH & SIXTH,  
LOUISVILLE, KY.

**STOVES and TINWARE.**

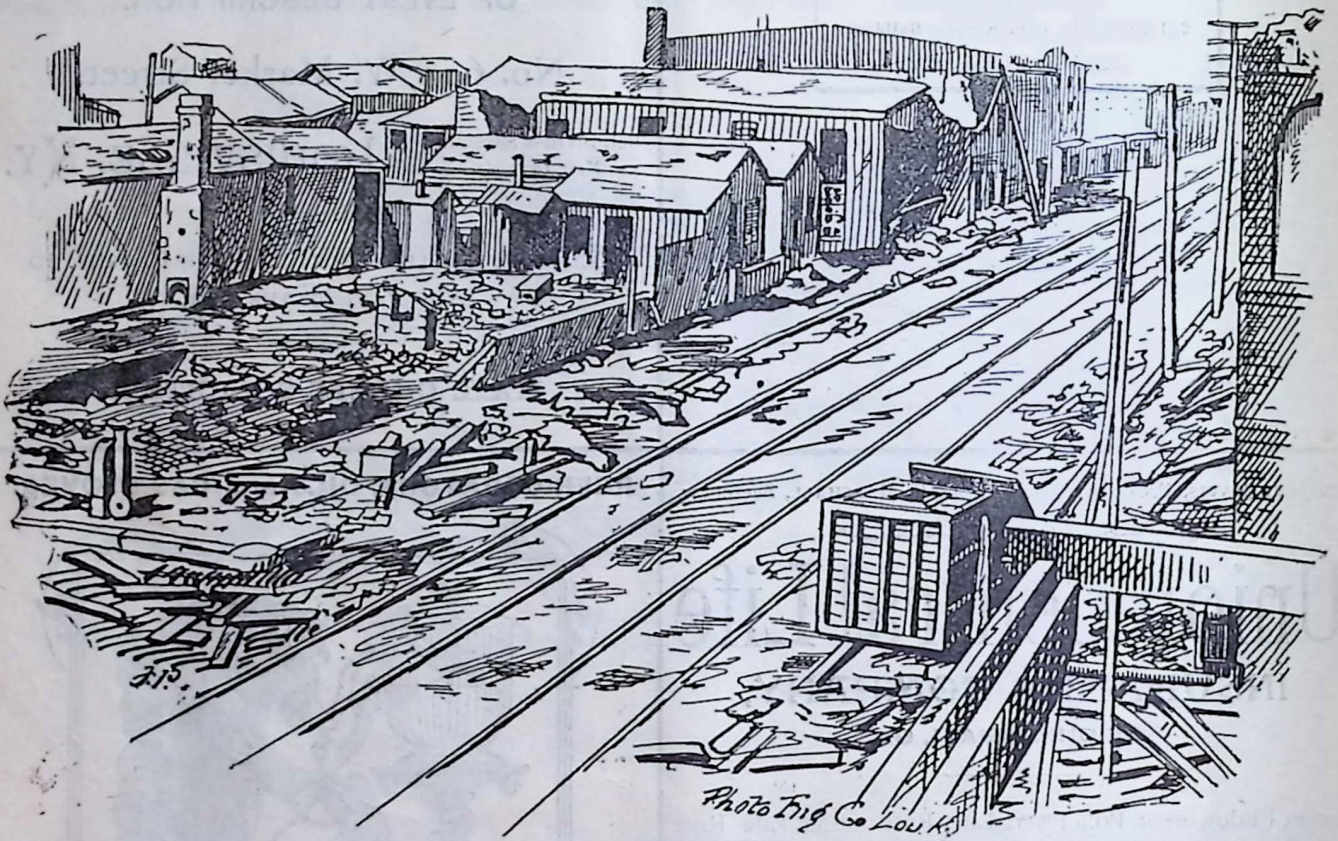
**WATER FILTERS.**



The side streets leading into Jefferson, Market and Main, were thronged with sight-seers from the time the newspapers appeared on the streets until late at night. Between Tenth and Eleventh streets the destruction to property was small in comparison with the total destruction on the square below.

### WALNUT STREET.

Walnut street between Eleventh and Twelfth an avenue of waste marks the center of the cyclone. The destruction by the wind is more noticeable at the corner of Fourteenth street than at any other point on Walnut. The building on the northwest corner and several others adjoining it on Walnut and Fourteenth streets caught fire early in the advent of the storm and were completely destroyed. There were eight colored



FOURTEENTH AND WALNUT STREETS.

men that had assembled at the Colored Odd Fellows Hall at Thirteenth and Walnut to attend a session of Adam Lodge, none of whom were seriously injured but their escape alive from the tumbling structure was miraculous. The building was completely wrecked, the howling demon blowing several large circular holes through the brick walls.

### CHESTNUT STREET.

Before the storm got down into the business district it devastated Chestnut street between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets, a beautiful block occupied by handsome residences, many of the houses were unroofed, corners of others were knocked off, chimneys were felled and marvelous to relate there was not a single person hurt seriously in the track of the Tornado extending from Thirteenth to Seventeenth on Chestnut street.



Hon. W. B. HOKE, Prest.

GEO. W. GRIFFITHS, M. D., Medical Sup.

W. T. McCARLEY, Supt.

W. H. McKINLEY, Sec'y.

# THE KENTUCKY LIFE & ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY.

Chartered by the Legislature of Kentucky.

## LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY.

**All Life Policies Non-Forfeitable, and have a Cash Surrender or Paid up Insurance Value after Five Years' Membership. Guaranty Fund, Limited to \$100,000.**

### COST PER \$1,000 FOR LIFE INSURANCE, WITHOUT ACCIDENT BENEFITS.

|                                 |         |                                 |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|---------|
| Yearly Cost at age 25 . . . . . | \$13 98 | Yearly Cost at age 45 . . . . . | \$19 86 |
| Yearly Cost at age 30 . . . . . | 14 82   | Yearly Cost at age 50 . . . . . | 24 84   |
| Yearly Cost at age 35 . . . . . | 15 96   | Yearly Cost at age 55 . . . . . | 32 46   |
| Yearly Cost at age 40 . . . . . | 17 40   | Yearly Cost at age 60 . . . . . | 44 00   |

Other Ages at Proportionate Rates. The above amounts are divided into bi-monthly payments.

### ACCIDENT DEPARTMENT—Cost to Insure Against Accidents.

The **Membership Fee** is **Five Dollars** for full-rate Policy, and **Three Dollars** on half-rate Policy, and is the same in all Divisions and is paid but once and when application is made for Membership.

### COST, CLASSIFICATION OF RISKS AND ATTENDING BENEFITS.

|                                                                                         | Ordinary. | Ex. Medium. | Medium. | Ex. Prefer'd. | Preferred. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|---------|---------------|------------|
| Death from Accident . . . . .                                                           | \$1,000   | \$2,000     | \$3,000 | \$4,000       | \$5,000    |
| Loss of Hand and Foot . . . . .                                                         | 1,000     | 2,000       | 3,000   | 4,000         | 5,000      |
| “ Both Hands . . . . .                                                                  | 1,000     | 2,000       | 3,000   | 4,000         | 5,000      |
| “ Both Feet . . . . .                                                                   | 1,000     | 2,000       | 3,000   | 4,000         | 5,000      |
| “ One Hand . . . . .                                                                    | 500       | 1,000       | 1,500   | 2,000         | 2,500      |
| “ One Foot . . . . .                                                                    | 500       | 1,000       | 1,500   | 2,000         | 2,500      |
| “ Both Eyes . . . . .                                                                   | 500       | 1,000       | 1,500   | 2,000         | 2,500      |
| “ One Eye . . . . .                                                                     | 75        | 150         | 200     | 300           | 750        |
| Permanent Total Disability . . . . .                                                    | 500       | 1,000       | 1,500   | 2,000         | 2,500      |
| Weekly Indemnity in case of totally disabling injury, resulting from accident . . . . . | 5         | 10          | 15      | 20            | 25         |
| Cost per Annum for Accident Insurance . . . . .                                         | \$16      | \$15        | \$14    | \$13          | \$12       |

General and Local Agents wanted everywhere to represent the company, with whom liberal contracts will be made.

Address

**W. T. McCARLEY, Superintendent,**

436 W. Jefferson St., LOUISVILLE, KY.

CLIFTON TATUM.

HENRY F. EMBRY.

G. W. EMBRY.

C. SPEED RICE.

## TATUM, EMBRY & CO.

# Live Stock Commission Merchants,

## BOURBON STOCK YARDS,



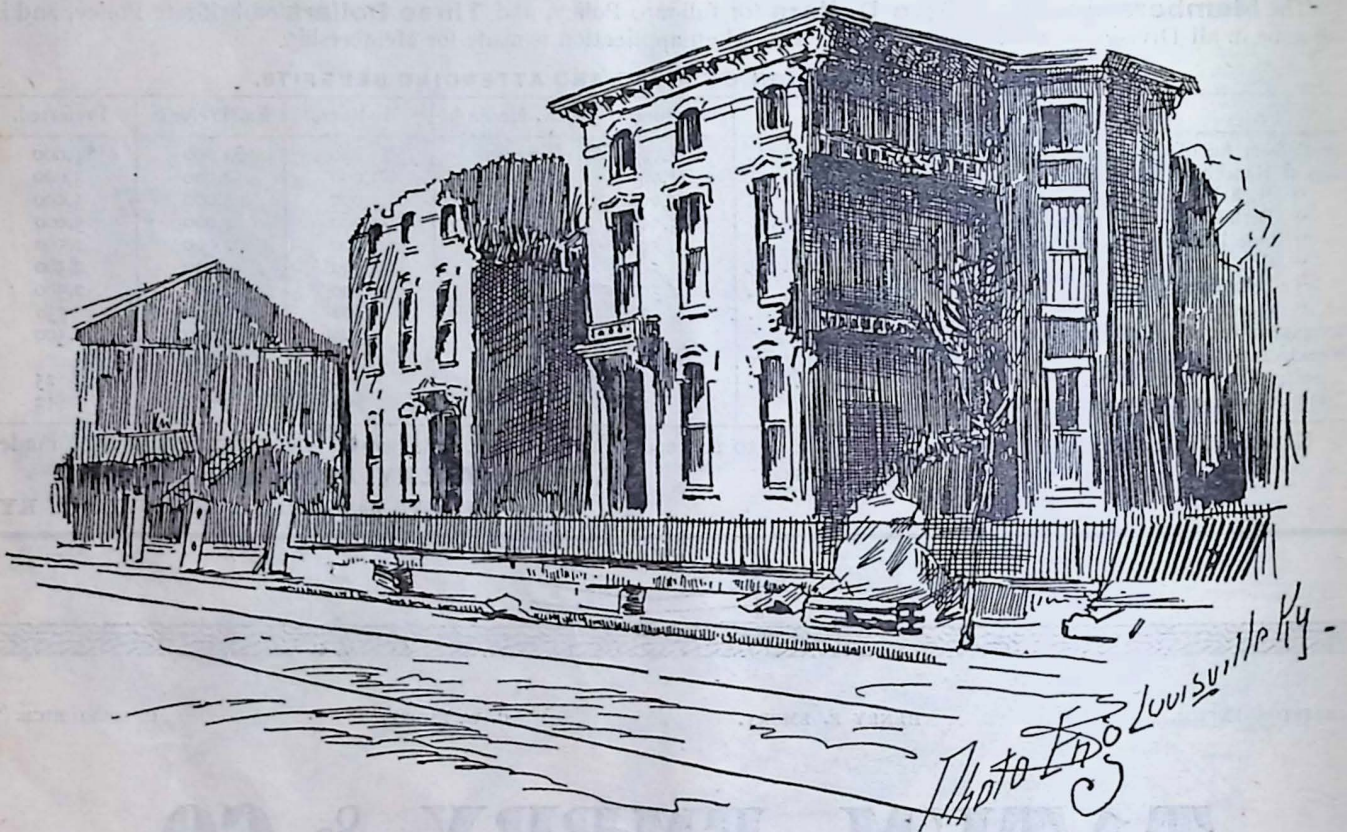
## LOUISVILLE, KY.



The devastation begins half way between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets, and extends to the middle of the block bounded on the east and west by Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets. On the north side of the street not more than six buildings in the three blocks escaped, and most of them were so irretrievably damaged that they will have to be razed to the ground.

### A NOTEWORTHY AND MOST SERIOUS DISASTER

Caused by the tornado, was the wrecking of the stand pipe tower of the water-works, a structure about 150 feet high. It was cut and twisted sheer off by the wind, about thirty feet from the ground, at the point where the stone-work substructure of the iron and frame work ended. The purpose of this tower was to



CHESTNUT STREET, BETWEEN FIFTEENTH AND SIXTEENTH.

obtain the necessary pressure to force water into the city reservoir. These reservoirs, three in number, have a storage capacity of 125,000,000 gallons. Unfortunately they were only half filled when the disaster occurred. One million gallons of water daily is the ordinary requirement of the city, and although economy was exercised in the use of water, the supply was practically exhausted, and had a fire broken out in Louisville at a point away from the river-bank there would have been no adequate means of repressing it. There was a sufficiency of water for drinking and cooking purposes, for at any point in the level plain upon which the city stands an inexhaustible supply of clear well-water is reached at a depth of thirty feet. On every second corner the city maintains a public pump, and from these pumps the drinking water is generally taken when the Ohio river is high and muddy although the impregnation of this well-water with lime renders it unsuitable for the laundry or for use in boilers, and manufactories of the city which were uninjured by the storm generally had to shut down for the lack of water.



W. H. SHIELDS,

Successor to WILL H. DAY,

MANUFACTURER OF

❖ FINE · CANDIES · ❖

Peerless Caramels and Chocolates,

No. 345 Fourth Avenue, LOUISVILLE, KY.

Special Attention Given to Mail Orders.

NEW STOCK.

NEW STYLES.

— THE —  
ECLIPSE · PAPER · HOUSE,

No. 552 E. Market St., near Hancock.

J. A. RICKELMAN,

Wall Paper, Decorations, Oil Cloth,

Window Shades, Picture Frames, Etc.

❖ FRAMES MADE TO ORDER. ❖

JOS. WALTON & CO.

MINERS AND SHIPPERS OF

Pittsburgh, Raymond City & Anthracite

❖ COAL ❖

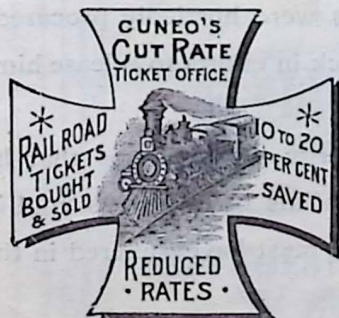
FAMILY COAL A SPECIALTY.

ANTHRACITE AT LOWEST MARKET PRICES.

Main Office, No. 213 Third Street,

Branch Office and Yard, Main and Hancock Streets.

Telephones, 35-2; 1019-2.



J. Pink Cuneo,

❖ RAILWAY ❖

Ticket Broker,

216 Fourth Ave.,  
LOUISVILLE, KY.

Member of Guarantee Ticket Brokers' Association of U. S.

TELEPHONE 344, RING 4.

HINZEN & SPELGER,

Men's · Fine · Furnishings,

❖ FULL DRESS SHIRTS ❖

WHITE VESTS IN VARIETIES,

446 W. Jefferson Street.

Telephone 493, Ring 2.

STAR · STEAM  
LAUNDRY

No. 834 West Market Street.

GOOD WORK, PROMPT DELIVERY.

COLLARS  
—AND—  
CUFFS 18 cents PER DOZ.



T. C. CAUMMISAR,

MANUFACTURER OF

BROOMS

AND DEALER IN

❖ Broom Corn ❖

—AND—

BROOM MAKER'S SUPPLIES

168 Fourth Avenue,

Telephone 1093-2. LOUISVILLE, KY.

—OFFICE OF—

River View Excelsior Works.

JOS. T. DIERSEN,  
PROPRIETOR

• Otto Brewery •

S. E. cor. Jackson & Green Sts.,

TELEPHONE 1137—RING 2.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

All Orders for Beer will receive Prompt Attention.



## ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

St. John's Episcopal Church, was shattered throughout, and nothing but a mass of bricks and splintered beams left to tell the tale. The rectory was next to this, and here the beloved rector of the church, Rev. Stephen E. Barnwell, met his awful death side by side with his child Dudley. He was with his family reading when the death crash ended his useful life, and from his position when found must have been killed instantly. His head was horribly crushed, his chest caved in and his whole body bruised and mangled almost beyond recognition. His beautiful boy, who was evidently sitting at his father's knee, was killed by a terrible fracture of the skull, and was also torn and mangled. It was some time before any one dared venture outside unless they had been blown out by the cyclone, but as soon as it became known that "Doctor"



ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Barnwell, as everybody loved to call him, was in the ruins of his house, ladders were hurriedly procured, lanterns gave light to the scene, and dozens of men were soon working on the wreck in efforts to release him. His wife and two of her children were taken out alive, but more or less hurt.

Those working on Rev. Barnwell's residence labored with every possible energy, in the hope that he might possibly be alive, but when at midnight his body was found at the side of his boy, he was cold in death, his face horribly expressive of the terrible agony which for an instant he must have suffered in the knowledge of the direful death that was upon him.



G. KLINE & SON.

DOORS SASH,  
BLINDS

Lumber, LATH Shingles

PAINTS.

PUMPS

BUILDERS'

HARDWARE.

OFFICE & WAREROOMS.

SOUTHWEST COR. 19TH & MAIN STS.

TELEPHONE 311-2.

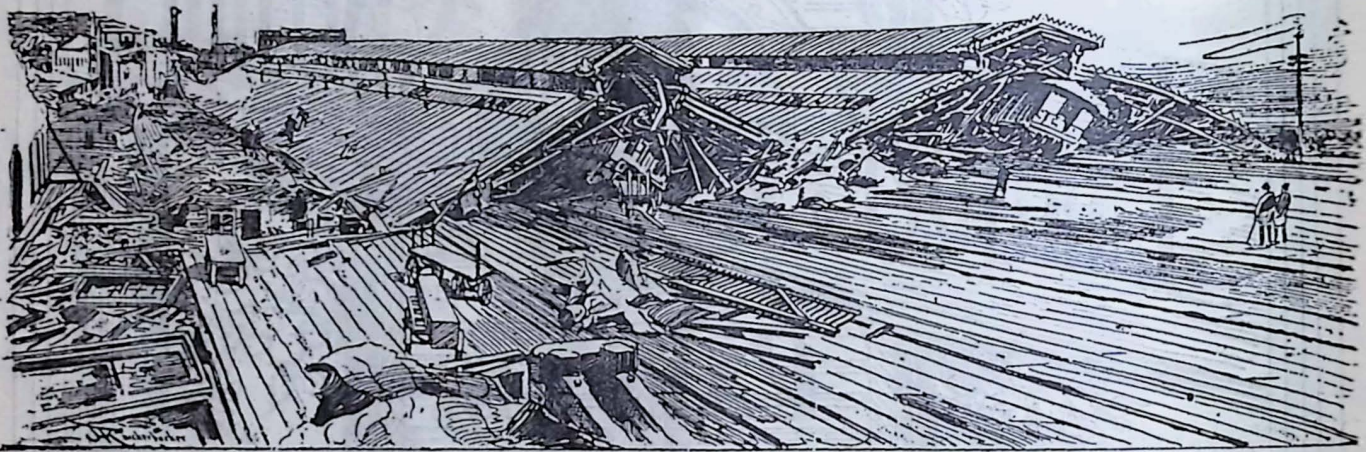
LOUISVILLE

KY



## UNION DEPOT.

The Union Depot at the foot of Seventh street was a total wreck, and over a dozen people were injured, some very seriously. So far as could be ascertained but one was killed. When the cyclone first struck the building it is estimated that fifty people were in the depot altogether. The O. & M. train bound for Cincinnati was standing under the car shed filled with passengers, preparatory to leaving. The people in the depot doubtless feared the approaching danger, for when the bursting of the cyclone was first felt the occupants of the depot huddled about the rooms to await the frightful crash which followed a few minutes later. The great building was heard to crack, and then the wind, which struck it from the south, lifted it from its foundation, throwing the structure several feet north. With a tremendous crash that could be heard half a dozen squares away, the building was hurled to the ground, burying beneath its debris about twenty men. Citizens willing to proffer all the assistance in their power were soon upon the scene, and the work of rescuing the victims began.



UNION DEPOT, SEVENTH STREET, NEAR THE RIVER.

(Photo by W. Stuber & Bro.)

The Louisville Southern train from Harrodsburg and Lexington had just arrived when the storm struck the building. The passengers from the train were just passing from the depot through the gates to the street, but fortunately none of them were injured, though many of them were caught by the falling roof. The Monon train for Chicago, had just departed for the north, though Mr. W. P. Woodard, the General Superintendent of the road, was still in the depot. He was passing through the gate of exit at the moment of the crash. He was caught between the falling timbers, and remained in his precarious position for upward of ten minutes, when he was taken out by Mr. J. D. Carson, Superintendent of the Louisville Southern Road, who had hurried from the Louisville Hotel when he heard of the accident.

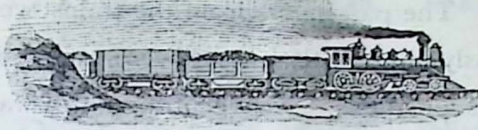
The depot consisted mostly of car sheds, there being but a small frame structure which was used for ticket office, baggage room, waiting room, restaurant and express office. At first the building reeled and tottered



# LEE OTTO

DEALER IN

## Lumber and Builder's Material



### AND ALL KINDS OF COAL.

Corner Tenth and Broadway,

TELEPHONE 1775, RING 3.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

DIAMONDS  
—AND—  
ARTISTIC  
JEWELRY.



STERLING  
SILVER  
WEDDING  
PRESENTS.

THE first duty a man owes his wife is to provide her with a home. If his means will not permit him to pay the usual payments or cash, he should make an investment in the



which will secure him his home and take the price of the same in small monthly payments.

**If you have a home,** your next duty is to lay up some part of your earnings for a rainy day. We will take deposits all the way from 60 cents per month up, and allow you a handsome income on the same, allowing you the privilege of withdrawing at any time, what you have paid in with 6 per cent. interest added.

It will pay you to call on us and have our plan explained, or send your address for circulars and explanations.

**EVERY MEMBER** of your family should carry a Share of our Stock which is non-forfeitable from the beginning.

**PINK VARBLE, Jr., State Agent,**

Office Open Daily, and on Saturday Nights until 9 P. M.

**210 FIFTH STREET.**



and then seemed to be lifted in the air and with a crash descended upon passenger coaches and engines, all of which were more or less demolished. Fortunately enough the cars and some of the frame work held the building up and saved at least fifty lives. The passengers from the trains were passing through the depot to the street but fortunately none were seriously injured, tho' many were caught in the network of the wreck and afterwards rescued from their precarious positions. The central patrol wagon was quickly on hand and as the wounded were removed they were conveyed either to their homes, the city hospital or a hotel where medical attention was received. The damage to the depot amounted to \$20,000 as it was a complete iron structure.



NORTHEAST CORNER EIGHTH AND MAIN STREETS.

#### SCIENTIFIC THEORIES UPSET.

The tornado that brought ruin to a good part of Louisville on March 27th, demonstrated that the scientific chaps were wrong in their assumptions that tornadoes avoided cities, and haunted only the open country. The Racine tornado demonstrated that that position of the meteorological sharps was wrong, and now the woeful experience of this city has confirmed it. The storm cut off this city from telegraphic communication with the world without. Not a wire was left in condition for the transmission of the intelligence of the work of the tornado.



SAVE YOUR MONEY.

# Westview Savings Bank and Building Co.

~~~~~  
SAVINGS DEPOSITS RECEIVED IN ANY AMOUNT.

↔ Interest Paid on Deposits and Compounded Semi-Annually. ↔

~~~~~  
**DEALERS IN PARKLAND HILLS REAL ESTATE.**

Louisville's Most Desirable Suburb. Lots Sold and HOUSES BUILT to Suit Purchaser.

✧ SMALL CASH PAYMENT, BALANCE MONTHLY. ✧

~~~~~  
OFFICE, 249 Fifth Street, Second Door North of Market.

W. T. PYNE, President. DENNIS LONG, 1st Vice President. N. G. ROGERS, 2nd Vice President.

• • • **GEO. M. CRAWFORD, Cashier.** • • •

We may live without poetry, music and art;

We may live without conscience, and live without heart;

We may live without friends; we may live without books;

But civilized man can not live without cooks.

He may live without books--what is knowledge but grieving?

He may live without hope--what is hope but deceiving?

He may live without love--what is passion but pining,

But where is the man that can live without dining?

✧ AMERICAN · RESTAURANT ✧

J. MIVELAZ, Proprietor.

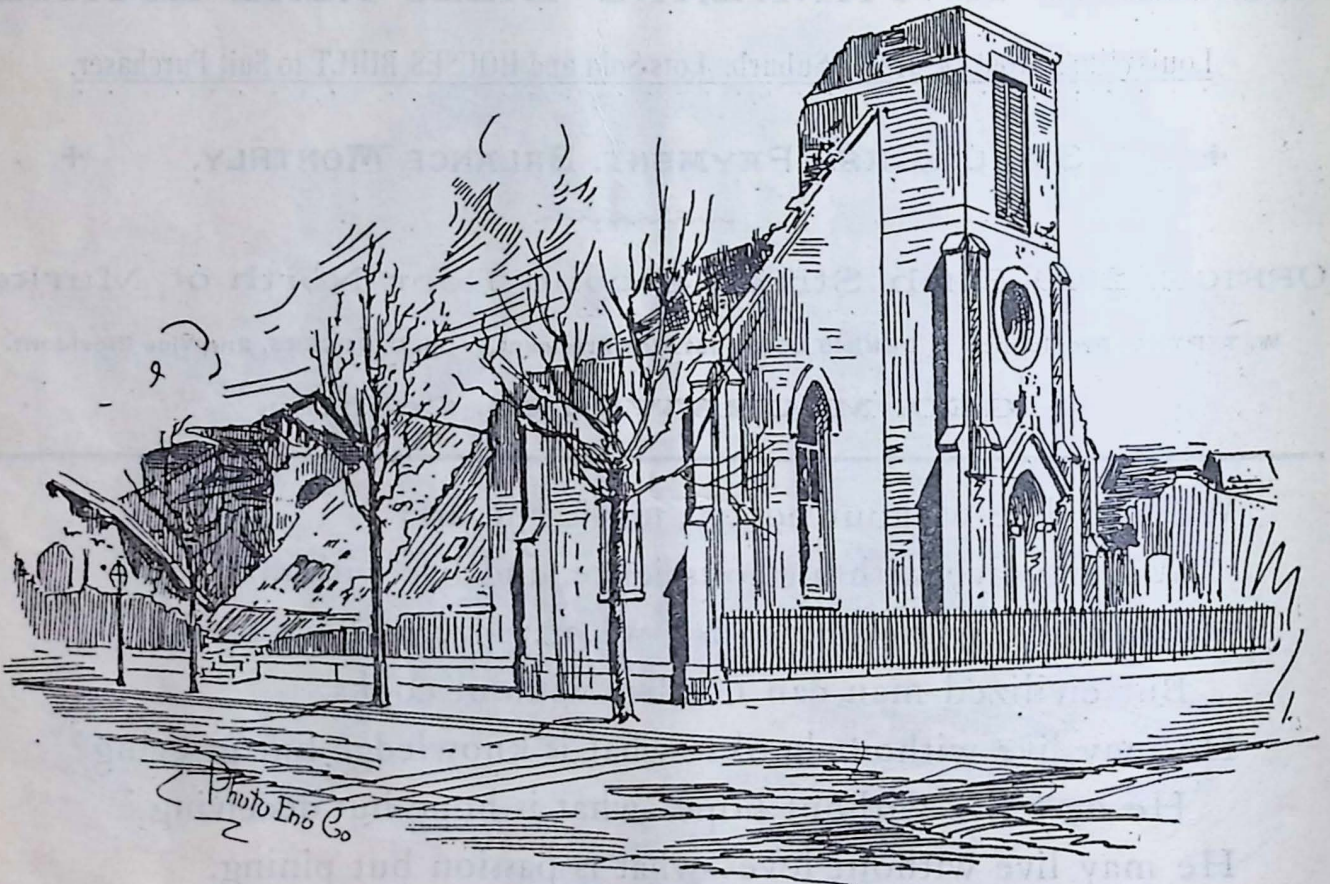
REGULAR 25c. MEALS.

✧ ✧ PURE CREAM SERVED WITH COFFEE. ✧ ✧

THE SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH.

The Sacred Heart Catholic Church at Seventeenth and Broadway, a handsome structure, is a complete wreck, the heavy slate roof was thrown to the bottom of the building, and the walls almost level with the ground. Father Disney was in charge of the congregation; adjoining the church on the east side, was the Sacred Heart School building, in charge of a number of Sisters of Charity, three of whom resided there.

The building was blown down, a portion of the church wall falling in on it. Sister Dorothy was instantly killed and the other two were severely and probably fatally injured. The Pastor's residence, next to the Convent, was also destroyed, though he and the members of his household escaped unhurt. Just east of this were

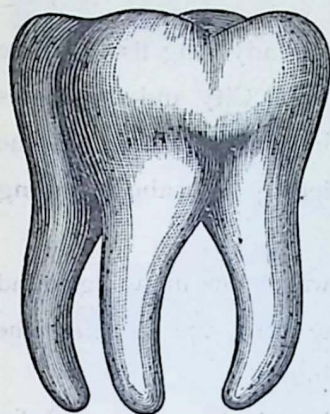


SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH.

a number of substantial two-story residences, which were apparently in the edge of the storm's track and were not entirely destroyed, though greatly damaged.

The storm seemed to be going in a northeasterly direction, and Eighteenth from Broadway to Chestnut, Seventeenth, Sixteenth and Fifteenth, from Broadway north to Market, were badly damaged. The whole street was filled with the ruins, and scarcely a house on either side escaped. Chestnut street in the neighborhood of Fifteenth, and from there to Sixteenth and up to Fourteenth, was a mass of ruins.

PAINLESS DENTISTRY.



NEW YORK DENTAL PARLORS,

Office and Residence, 542 Fourth Avenue,

Opposite Harris' Theatre.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Prepared for any and all kinds of Dental work. Special attention paid to saving the natural teeth. Teeth extracted without pain, by the use of Vitalized Air, made fresh every day, and only by Us. Anyone can take it with perfect safety, Young or Old. Artificial Teeth inserted in any and every style known to the Profession. Latest scientific success, teeth without plates. Prices for the finest dental work, the most reasonable of any in the State. People from abroad can come in the morning, and wear their new teeth home same day. **Largest Dental Establishment in the South.**

CHARLES FERST, President.

HENRY H. MARTIN, Sec'y and Treas.

UNION MACHINE COMPANY

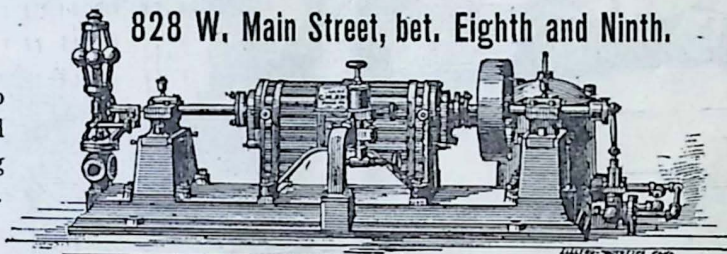
Manufacturers and Dealers in Steam and Gas Engines.

JOBGING A SPECIALTY.

Special Attention given to repairing Elevators, Gas and Steam Engines and putting up Machinery of all kinds.

TELEPHONE 1667, RING 2.

828 W. Main Street, bet. Eighth and Ninth.



SHAFTING, HANGERS,
PULLEYS, ETC.

Wrought Iron Forging, Etc.

WE CAN MAKE IT TO YOUR
ADVANTAGE TO GIVE
US YOUR ORDER.

FRANK WEBER, Wagon Manufacturer,

SEPARATE DEPARTMENT for SHOEING.

300, 302, 304 & 306 E. MAIN STREET,

South-east Cor. Floyd and Main.

LOUISVILLE, KY.



INCORPORATED 1885.

CAPITAL STOCK, - - \$100,000.

DIRECTORS:

CLINTON McCLARTY, Manager Louisville Clearing House.	HARRY STUCKY, City Alderman.
D. P. CURRY, With J. M. Robinson & Co.	GUY C. SIBLEY, Attorney.
D. J. DAVIS, General Manager.	ATTILLA COX, C. C. TAYLOR, Secretary and Local Manager.

National Collecting Co.

HOME OFFICE, 35 AND 37 BULL BLOCK,
Fifth and Market Streets.

F. A. GILCHER, SIGN WRITER,

MANUFACTURER OF
Banners, Glass Show Cards, Druggists' Glass Labels,
Brass Signs and Enamel Letters.

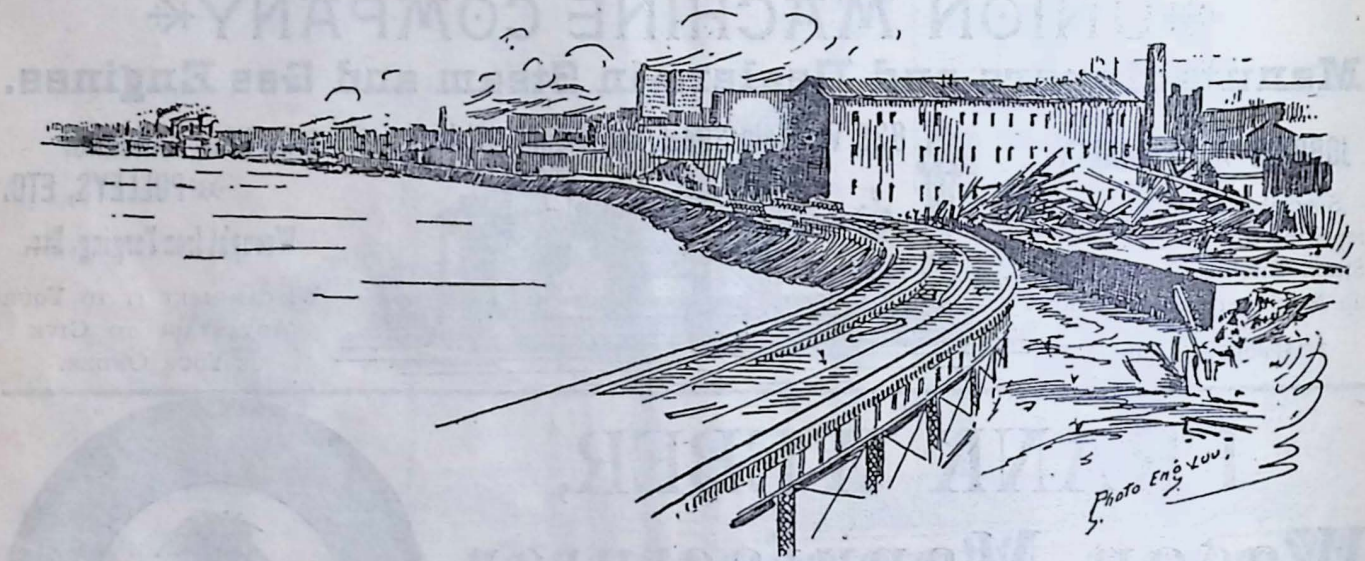
212 THIRD STREET,
Bet. Main & Market, LOUISVILLE, KY.
Telephone 1364, Ring 2.

ON THE RIVER.

The scene on the river was fearful, and came near adding another tragedy to the already long list. There were at the wharf the wharf boat of the Evansville Mail Line; tied to it were the Tell City and the James Guthrie; next was the Life-saving Station, then came the wharf-boat of the Mail Line, and fast to it was the City of Madison, which proved the salvation of the fleet. The Grace Morris was tied up just above among dozens of barges and coal boats.

The terrible wind came from the southwest, and the first warning along the river was a low moaning sound which increased to a roar like a Daisy-line train passing over the trestles which run along the wharf. The wind seemed to burst from two points, Third street and the Commercial Club building.

Only one boat had up steam, and that was the City of Madison of the Cincinnati Line. Capt. John Kirker was on the lookout. He had his boat and wharfboat securely fastened. The Guthrie and Tell City had out six big head-lines.



VIEW ON THE RIVER FRONT.

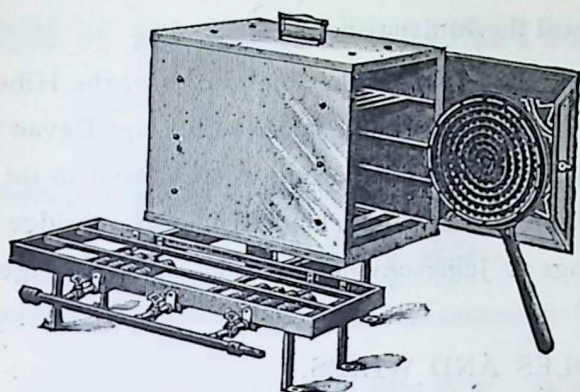
The wind seemed to strike these two boats first. Chains and hawsers broke with a snap, and the wharfboats, together with the two steamboats, were hurled against the wharfboat of the Madison with terrible effect, breaking the Madison and wharfboat from their seemingly secure fastenings.

THE GALLANT LIFE-SAVERS.

Captain Devan's life-savers covered themselves with glory, saving the lives of sixteen men, bringing a steamboat safely to shore, and rendering all the assistance possible. The Life Saving Station had been made very fast, but the terrible wind was too much, and everything gave way except one chain. The men who were standing on the guard of the boat were blown down, and they had to crawl along and take out lines to secure their vessel. After this was done, the two boat crews went out into the storm in their frail boats. Captain Devan and his crew were in the Ready.

As they pulled up the stream they saw a light moving on the water; soon a black object appeared, which proved to be the Hibernia drifting helplessly without steam. The crew were on the roof, and were shouting

Gas Ranges and Flat Stoves



Will do the Cooking, (boiling, baking, roasting and broiling,) for a family of from three to eight persons, at an expense of from 1 to 3 cents each meal. You have no kindling to split, no coal or ashes to handle. Cooks live longer, keep happy, and do better cooking. Call and see our new Water Heater and Clothes Dryer.

ECONOMY GAS STOVE & BURNER CO.

235 FIFTH AVENUE.

"ECCE SIGNUM."

ESTABLISHED 1866.

BASCOM & REICHART, HOUSE Painters and Decorators,

MAKE A SPECIALTY OF

INTERIOR WALL PAINTING

In Place of Paper, by the New Process.

EASTERN STYLE. BEAUTIFUL. HEALTHFUL. CHEAP.

311 Fifth St., South of Market,

527, Ring 2.

LOUISVILLE, KY.



WALTER MATHEWS,

The prominent young Louisville Actor who has made such an enviable record in the past two years.



EDDLEMAN!

THE HATTER

--FOR--

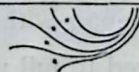


Fine Fashionable Hats,
Canes, Umbrellas, Furs
and Gloves.
408 W. Market.

—SOLE AGENT—

EDWD MILLER'S CELEBRATED HATS.

BEST IN THE WORLD.

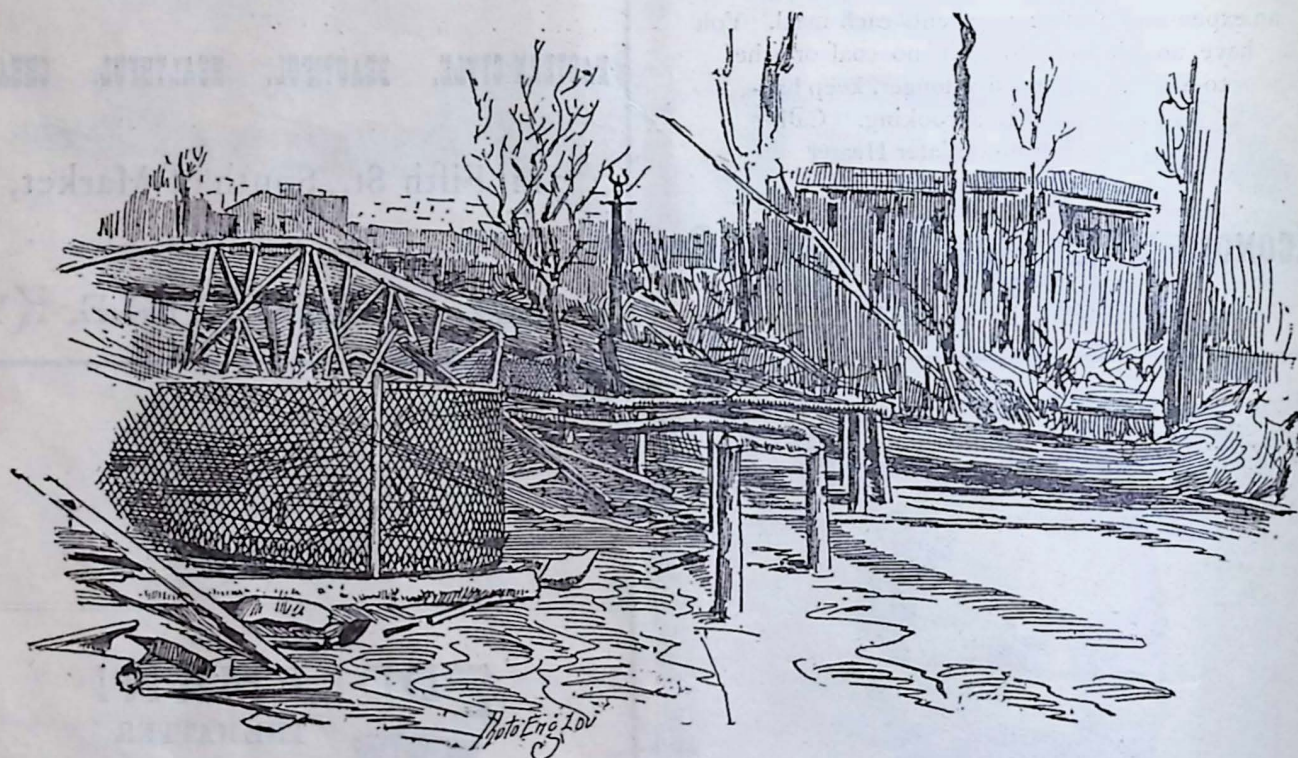


and ringing the bell with all their might. Swiftly the boat and her crew of sixteen men were approaching the piers of the Pennsylvania bridge, prayers were being said, and the small boats were prepared for a disaster which seemed close at hand. The boat was swept toward the Indiana shore.

Capt. Devan's men redoubled their energies and were soon alongside. The small boats of the Hibernia were manned by the gallant life-savers, and the crew safely carried to the Indiana shore. Capt Devan then ordered his men back to the Hibernia, and his men accomplished the feat of towing a steamboat to the Indiana shore with the waves running four feet high. The Hibernia was safely landed near the bridge and made fast. When she was blown loose from her fastenings at Jeffersonville one of her crew managed to jump to the shore.

SERIOUS DAMAGES TO POLES AND WIRES.

Capt. Gifford, Manager of the Telephone Company, reports that the system in Louisville has been damaged by the tornado not less than \$20,000.



CORNER OF BAXTER PARK.

On Walnut street over 200 subscribers were cut off, on Market street not less than 100, and on other streets in the district lying in the tornado's path, probably 400 more.

East of Fifth street there were a multitude of crossed wires, and west of Fifth nearly all the poles were down and broken to pieces.

Capt. Gifford telegraphed to Cincinnati for men and supplies, and expected them here in a day or two to begin the work of repair without delay. In the briefest time possible, it was estimated that the Exchange could not be restored to full working order much before eight or ten days. No expense was spared to hasten the work forward, and Capt. Gifford utilized the services of all telephone linemen he could procure on short notice.

630 Preston Street, Corner Lafayette Street, LOUISVILLE, KY.

FOR SALE AT

FOR MALE OR FEMALE, GUARANTEED NOT TO CAUSE STRICTURE, BEEN IN USE 39 YEARS.

CURE FOR G. & G.

DAY



DAY

USE VANDER ESPT'S

IMPORTERS
AND JOBBERS OF

Window and Plate Glass,

VARNISHES

BRUSHES,

Artists' Materials,

PAINTERS' SUPPLIES,
GLUE, ETC.

VAL. BLATZ' SONS,

MANUFACTURERS AND GRINDERS OF

White Lead, Colors and Ready Mixed Paints,

BLUE GRASS CARRIAGE PAINTS AND LIQUID SLATING,

OFFICE AND SALESROOMS:

223 West Market Street, between Second and Third.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

ALBERT O. DAVID

—DEALER IN—

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS

No. 356 West Jefferson Street,

Three doors above Fourth Ave., South Side.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

LATEST STYLE OF FLANNEL SHIRTS AND NECKWEAR ALWAYS ON HAND.

GUSTAVE A. SCHIEL,

(Formerly with Wm. Ritcher & Co.,) Successor to the New Fair,

—DEALER IN—

House Furnishing Goods, Tinware and Woodenware

309 WEST JEFFERSON STREET,

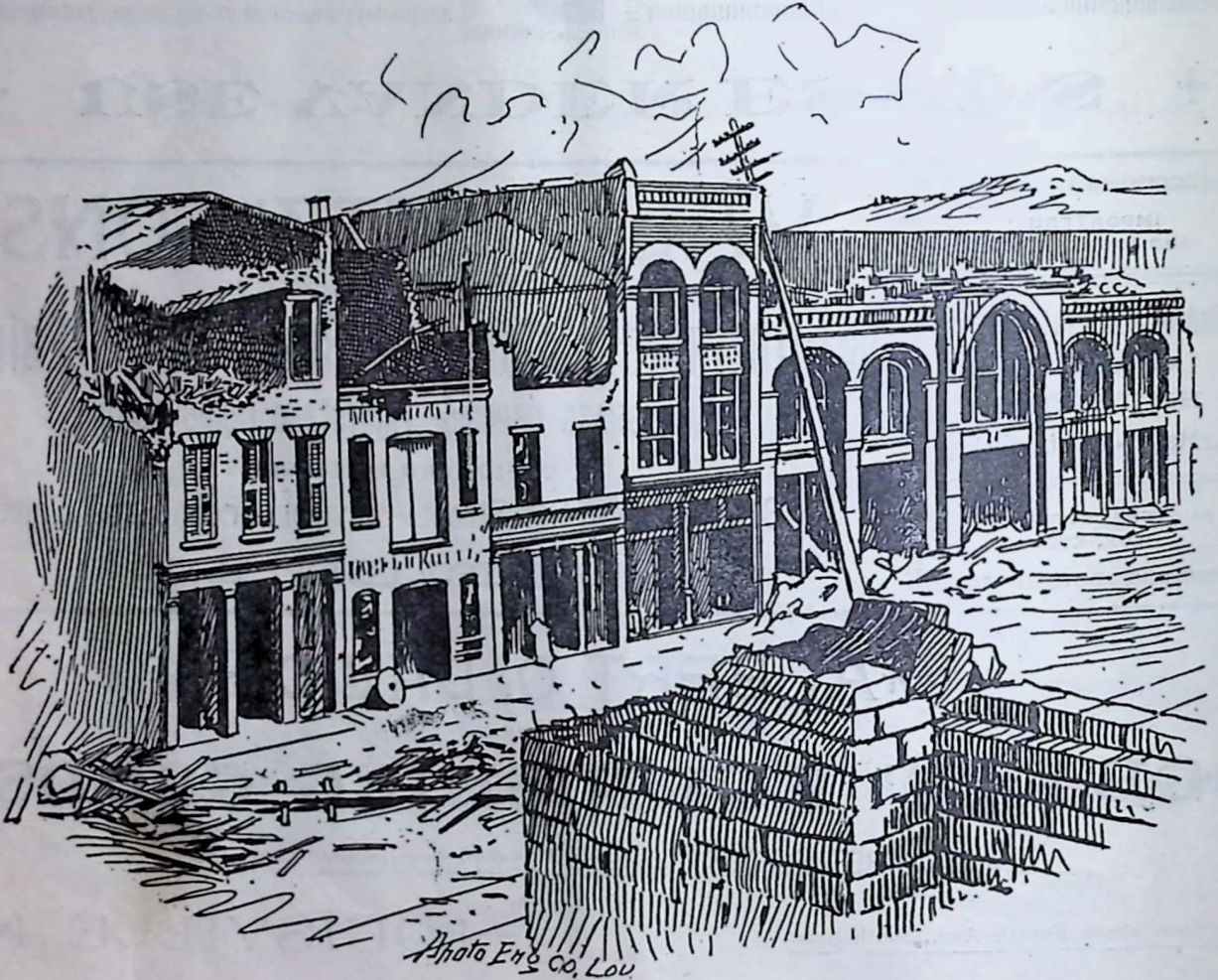
Bet. Third and Fourth.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

INSURANCE.

Since the immense destruction of property in this city by the tornado, there has been much discussion in regard to the insurance upon this destroyed property. It has been a much mooted question, an extremely personal one, with those who have suffered a loss of property, as to whether the fire insurance companies will allow the claim on those buildings which were burned. There have even been a great many people who have thought that the fire insurance companies would pay the insurance upon an insured house no matter how the destruction occurred.

An insurance authority stated that there were many insurance companies which insured against cyclones, tornadoes, etc., but these were special features and never understood; except when a contract to that effect



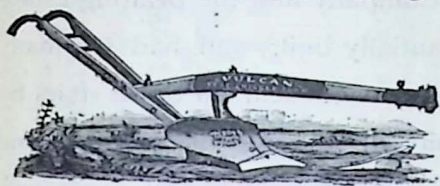
NORTHEAST CORNER TENTH AND MAIN STREETS.

(Photo by W. Stuber & Bro.)

had been made. The idea that a fire insurance company, which had insured a building against fire, would pay insurance for its destruction by any other means, was extremely absurd.

As to the buildings which have been burned, this authority said that there was such an abundance of proof that they were first demolished by the tornado that there would hardly be a possibility of such a question being raised. Also when a building was insured under a certain name, say a building, just as soon as it was demolished, then it ceased to be a building, and the contract in regard to insurance against fire ceased. In the West, where cyclones are a common occurrence, property is nearly always insured against cyclones and tornadoes.

✠ KENTUCKY SEED WAREHOUSE ✠



Garden, Field AND Flower Seeds,

RADEMAKER & MUELLER,

No. 234 Second Street,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

AGENTS FOR THE VULCAN CHILLED PLOW, THE BEST IN THE WORLD.



NIEDER BROS.,

DEALERS IN

HARDWARE AND CUTLERY,

Taps, Dies, Morse Twist Drills, Machine Screws, Electrical Goods, Etc.

Stoves, Tinware and House Furnishing Goods, Cistern and Well Pumps, Chimney Tops and Sewer Pipes, Guttering, Roofing and all kinds of Tin, Copper and Sheet Iron Work.

LOCKSMITHING, KEYS, BELL HANGING, MECHANICS TOOLS, A SPECIALTY.

Agents for H. W. VANCE STONE PUMPS.

803 & 805 E. Broadway.

TELEPHONE 1062-2,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

MARTIN GABLE,

Engines, Boilers, Shafting, Pulleys, Etc.

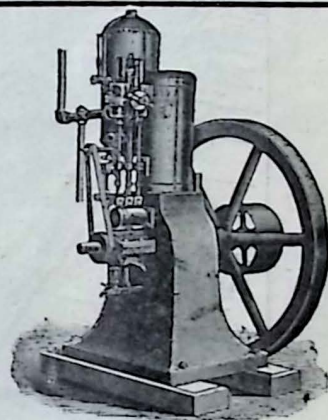
SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO LITHOGRAPHIC AND PRINTING MACHINERY.

ALSO EXPERIMENTAL WORK

No. 516 Third Street,

TELEPHONE 1410-2.

LOUISVILLE, KY.



Agent for the Celebrated VAN DUZEN GAS ENGINE, for Jeffersonville, New Albany and Louisville.

R. N. EWELL & CO.

MANUFACTURERS OF THE CELEBRATED

New Bull of the Woods



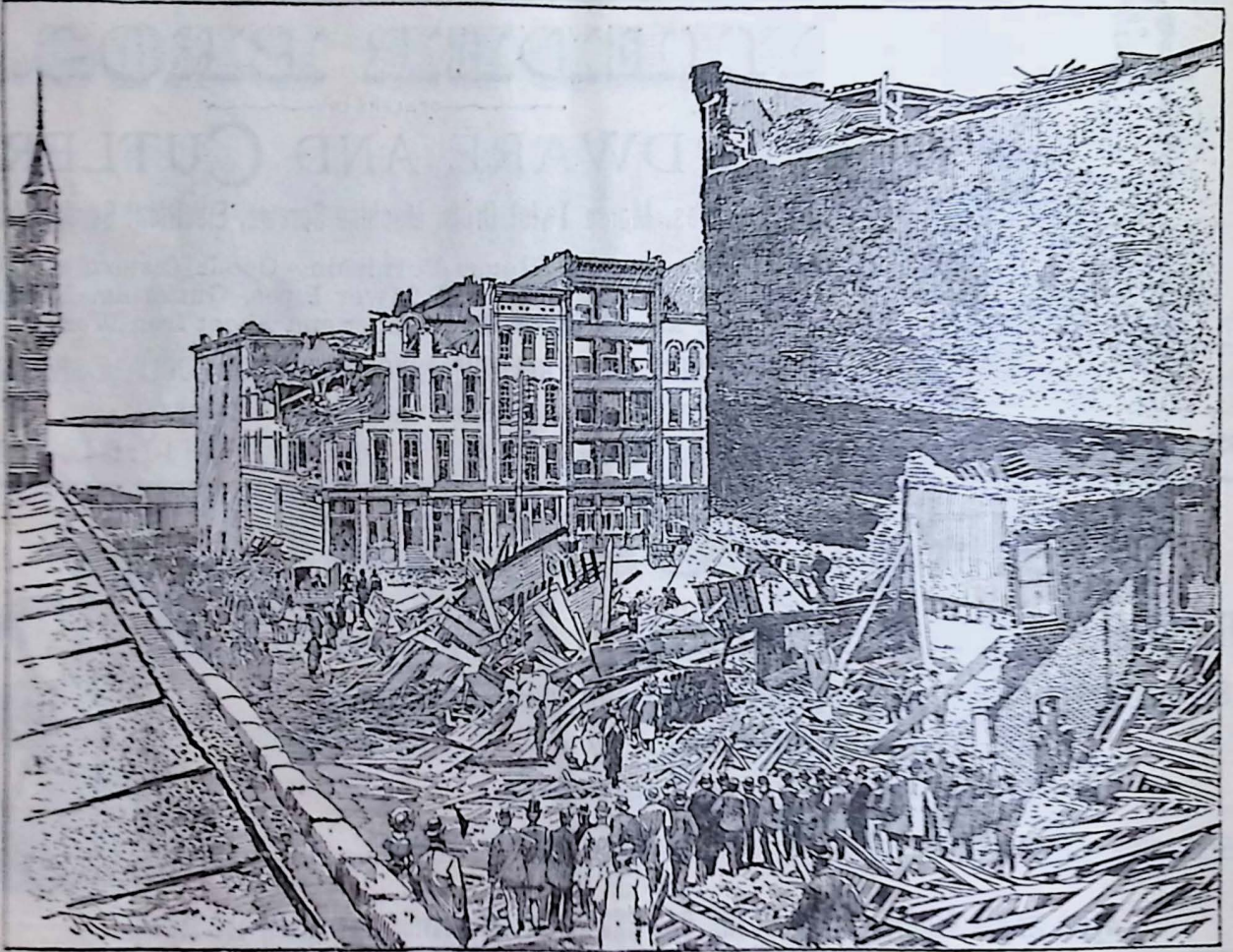
CIGARS

No. 236 Second Street,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

A BADLY WRECKED BUILDING.

Of all the buildings wrecked by the tornado, none was more completely destroyed than that at the southeast corner of Main and Eighth streets, occupied by the E. Bull Medicine Company and the printing establishment of R. H. Carothers. The building was a two-story brick, substantially built, and had for many years been occupied by the Second National Bank, but when it moved up town was occupied down stairs by a printing office and up stairs by offices, until the Bull Medicine Company fitted it up as an office and laboratory. This company has been long noted for its extensive trade in medical remedies which are known and used over the entire United States. It had only recently moved into this building, and had at considerable expense fitted up a handsome office and extensive laboratory. The condition of the building the morning after the tornado is forcibly shown by the illustration on this page, which is taken from a photo-



SOUTHEAST CORNER EIGHTH AND MAIN STREETS.

(Photo by W. Suter & Bro.)

graph of the ruins as they appeared on the morning of March 28th. But even this picture, eloquently as it speaks of ruin and destruction, does not give an adequate idea of the true state of affairs as they appeared to an eye witness of the catastrophe. The contents of the office were scattered all over the street, and their immense stock of material and manufactured stock on hand was broken and scattered, together with all their tools and implements, etc., were mixed with the mass of debris that on the previous day composed the building that was so strongly built as to be reckoned one of the safest in the city, as evidenced by the low rate of insurance. But nothing could withstand the fury of the wind as with full force it rushed around this devoted corner on that memorable night, and the fall of the building completed the destruction of the stock of this

E. BULL'S GREAT REMEDIES.

Send your Address for our Health Courier. Mailed free.

E. BULL'S CHILL AND FEVER CURE,

PRICE, 50 Cts. per bottle.

The most Effective Cure for Chill, Fever, Ague and all forms of Malarial Poisoning.

A boon to Health,

A bane to Fevers.

This Cure is recognized by the leading scientists as absolutely a purely Vegetable Compound, free from all opiates, mineral poisons and harmful hypnotics.

E. BULL'S SPECIFIC,

THE GREAT BLOOD PURIFIER.

A Valuable Remedy and Safe Cure for

Scrofula or King's Evil, Ulcers of any Kind, Mercurial or Syphilitic Catarrh, Eczema, All Skin Diseases.

Or any of the many Diseases arising from Impure Blood.

THE GREAT CANCER CURE.

PRICE, \$1.00 PER BOTTLE.

E. BULL'S BALSAM

Price, Large Size, 50 cts. per Bottle.

A Rapid and Safe Cure for all Affections of the Throat and Chest, such as

COUGHS, COLDS, BRONCHITIS, CROUP, INFLUENZA, WHOOPING COUGH, WASTING OF FLESH, SPITTING OF BLOOD, NIGHT SWEATS, &c.,

Are Speedily Relieved and Cured by this Balsam.

E. BULL'S GOYA • EXTRACT, IS THE KING OF LINIMENTS.

For the Relief and Cure of the worst forms of

RHEUMATISM, NEURALGIA, MUSCULAR PAINS, SPRAINS, BURNS, BACKACHE, SCALDS, FROST BITES, CUTS, BRUISES, HEADACHE, SORE THROAT, CORNS, WARTS, &c.

PRICE, 50 CTS. PER BOTTLE.

E. BULL'S LUXURY BITTERS

A WONDERFUL TONIC.

For the immediate relief of all Stomach, Liver and Kidney Troubles.

A great preventative and Eradicator for all ailments peculiar to Females.

A TONIC LIKED BY ALL.

Palatable and Pleasant to the taste.

PRICE, \$1.00 per Bottle.

To every person who uses any of E. BULL'S Great Preparations, we can most positively state that they are purely Vegetable compounds, differing widely from the many compounds containing mineral poisonings, etc. We claim these remedies far superior to many that are now on the market. The ingredients of these GREAT REMEDIES, are supplied from the vegetable world and nothing but healthful and medical drugs are used. We request that the public should read our HEALTH COURIER, wherein we have expatiated on all the above remedies, which we mail free on application. Sold by all druggists.

E. BULL MEDICINE CO., LOUISVILLE, KY.

EAGLE BRASS WORKS,

FOWLER & CO.

No. 225 Eighth St., bet. Main and Market,
LOUISVILLE, KY.

—Manufacturers of all Kinds of—

BRASS WORKS

FOWLER'S PATENT STEAM SHIFTER,

FOWLER'S PATENT VACUUM VALVES,

FOWLER'S PATENT PUMPS,

COPPER AND BRASS CASTINGS.

Distillery and Water Company's, Ferrules and Cocks, Siphon Pumps, Injectors and Boiler Feeders, Globe, Angle and Check Valves, Iron Pipes, Brass Pipes and Fittings, Steam and Water Gauges, Metallic Letters for Pattern Makers, Phosphor Bronze Castings. Repairing and Jobbing Promptly Attended to.

BUTTERWECK & ETHERIDGE FURNITURE CO.,

—DEALERS IN FINE AND MEDIUM GRADE—

Furniture, Carpets, Mattresses,

AND BABY BUGGIES

Sells Cheaper than any House in Louisville.

N. E. COR. 16th AND MARKET STS.,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

FINE WALL PAPERS,

AND

WINDOW SHADINGS,

JENNER'S

532 East Market Street, LOUISVILLE.

Pictures and Frames in Variety,

PICTURE FRAMES OF ALL KINDS

MADE TO ORDER.

PRICES, THE LOWEST.

company. With many such a catastrophe would prove disheartening and cause those who have labored for years, to build up a trade only to see their stock ruined in a moment, but this company is made of sterner stuff, and it set about at once to secure new quarters and prepare for future business. A new location was secured a few doors below at 852 West Main, and the work of refitting and refurnishing was at once begun. Everything that could be saved from the ruins was quickly rescued and moved and a new stock secured, so that it has now comfortable and commodious quarters in which the renowned remedies manufactured by this firm are now made, and from there shipped in large quantities throughout the country. If enterprise, energy and push can accomplish anything, then the remedies of this firm will be found for sale in every locality from Maine to California, and E. Bull's Remedies will soon be a household word everywhere.



JEFFERSON STREET, BETWEEN ELEVENTH AND TWELFTH.

The entire lower floor of the building, extending back 105 feet from the front on Main street, was occupied by the printing office of R. H. Carothers. This was almost a total wreck. The presses were broken and the type scattered in all directions. The office was crowded with orders and was doing a most excellent business when the crash came. The loss is estimated at about \$4,000. Many friends advised the proprietor to make no attempt to rescue anything from the great mass of brick and mortar, mingled with broken glass and other debris from the floor above, but with dogged persistency the proprietor set a force of men at work, removed the entire mass, and saved what he could. Bushels of type were taken out, much of it cleaned and sorted, the presses were sent to the shops, and with the fragments saved, and what could be pur-



Gas Fitting ^{AND} Plumbing

❖ BRASS AND CHANDELIER FINISHER. ❖

417 Walnut Street, between 4th & 5th, LOUISVILLE, KY.

TELEPHONE 917, Ring 3.

SODA WATER WORK A SPECIALTY.

ST. BERNARD COAL CO.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN

LUMP AND CRUSHED COKE,

—ALSO—

Best Pittsburgh and Anthracite,

—MAIN OFFICE:—

346 West Main Street,

TELEPHONE CALL 932, RING 2.

BRANCH OFFICES: { Kentucky Street, between 13th and 14th,
Floyd Street, north of Washington.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

M. T. MORRIS,

Carpenter and Builder,

No. 1924 OWENS STREET.

Orders Promptly Attended to.
Satisfaction Guaranteed.

ESTABLISHED 1858.

JOHN BEHA,

Manufacturer of and Dealer in

Saddlery and Harness,

TURF GOODS,

And Everything Pertaining to the Business
Always on Hand.

104 W. Market, near First Street,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Patentee of JOHN BEHA'S IMPROVED HARNESS. Patented Sept. 25th, 1883.

DR. ED. M. KETTIG,

❖ Dentist ❖

Zahn Arzt.

319 W. Walnut.

Louisville Wrought Iron Works,

H. B. HAPPY, Proprietor.

Twist Stirrups, Anchors,
Bolts, Grates, Window Bars,
Crank Axles, Jail and House Work,
AND GENERAL BLACKSMITHING.

❖ All Jobbing Promptly Attended to.

No. 317 ELEVENTH STREET,

Bet. Market and Main. LOUISVILLE, KY.

❖ JOHN TANIAN ❖

Practical Horse Shoer

214 First St., bet. Main & Market, LOUISVILLE, KY.

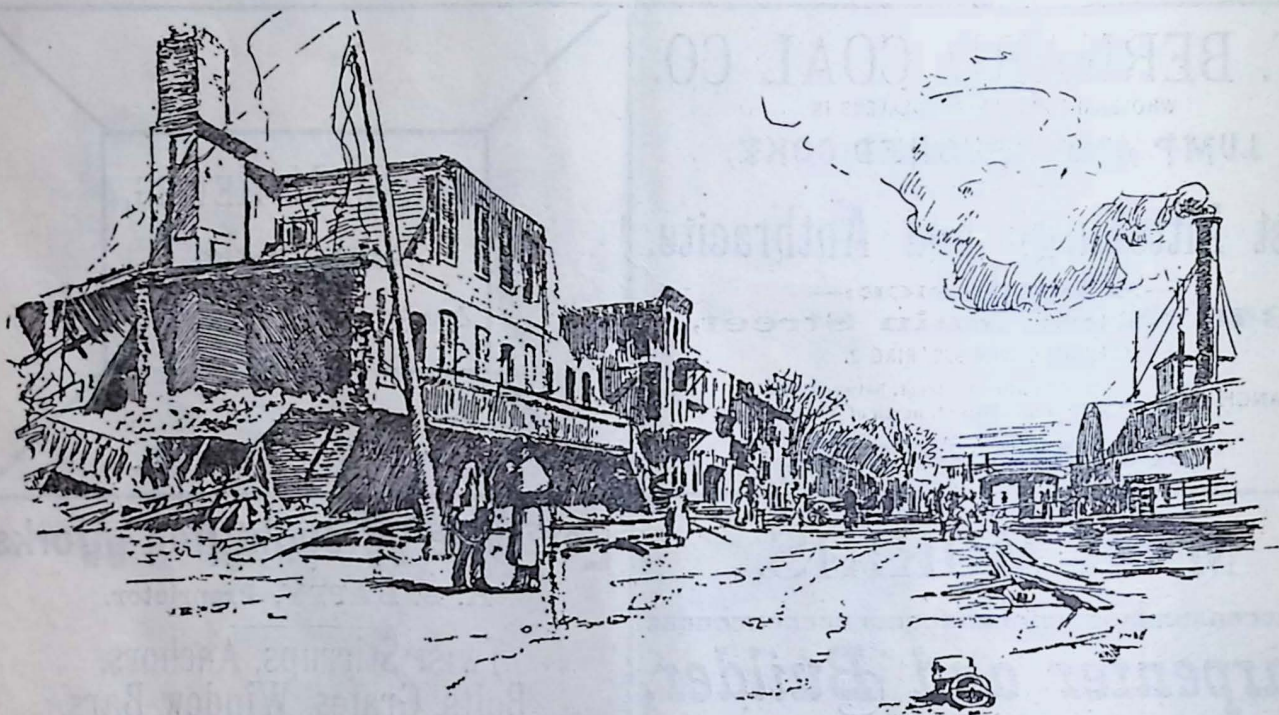


Horses shod in the most
scientific and approved man-
ner by experienced work-
men.

Horses stopped from in-
terfering and forging.

Quarter, Quitter, and
Sand Cracks properly treat-
ed.

chased, the business has been started anew. The only publication in which Mr. Carothers is interested is *The Educational Courant*, the only educational paper published in the State, and this has been issued regularly, the issue for April being delayed only a few days. The teachers of the State have gallantly stood by their own paper in this emergency, and sustained and cheered by them, the proprietor has gone forward in cheerful confidence to repair his shattered fortunes, and is already in a fair way of doing so. It requires strong confidence to overcome the loss of one's entire fortune, but it has been shown fully in this instance, and the proprietor avows his determination to overcome disaster and retrieve his reputation and trade. If good management, fair prices and thorough work can accomplish the desired end, there is no doubt it will be done in this instance.



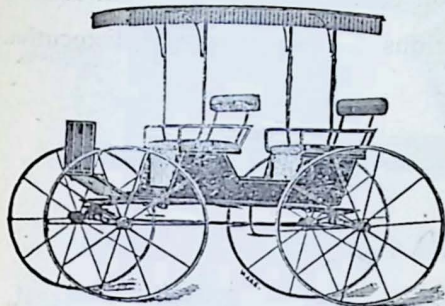
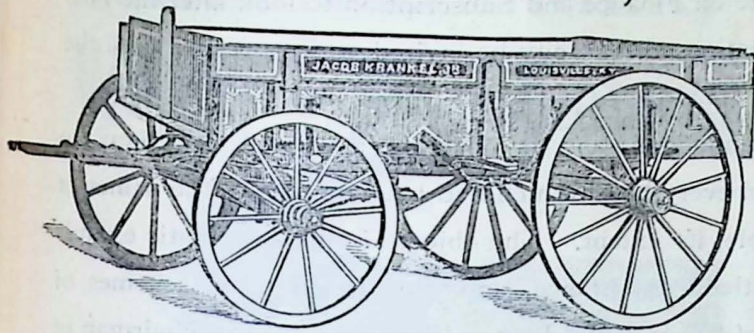
RIVER FRONT, JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.

RELIEF MEASURES.

Although much the most extensive, this is not the first great disaster the public-spirited citizens of Louisville have had to deal with, and the prompt and energetic measures which were adopted for alleviating distress and rendering assistance showed that the work would be accomplished without blundering or delay. Fortunately, according to the reports of the various inspection committees, there was very little actual want urgently calling for attention.

In all the cyclone district the people were greatly agitated, and in numerous cases grief-stricken. Their little homes had been destroyed, their small stocks of goods had been damaged, mayhap a member of the family or a relative had been killed or injured, but hunger, cold or sickness were sources of suffering of great rarity. These facts, however, did not operate to retard the relief movements in the least. The first action taken was by the Board of Trade. A meeting called for 12 o'clock on the next day was largely attended and was presided over by the President, Mr. William Cornwall. On motion the body organized itself a General Relief Committee of the Board of Trade, with well-known citizens who were present as members.

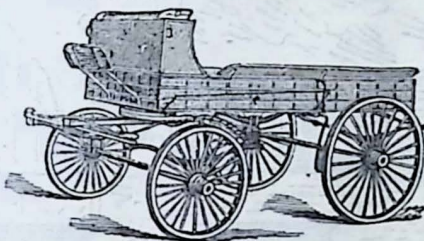
JACOB KRANKEL, Jr.



WAGON

Manufacturer.
Horse Shoeing
and Repairing
OF ALL KINDS
Done on Short Notice.

816 East Broadway,
bet. Shelby & Logan,
LOUISVILLE, KY.



Sewing Machines as Low as \$19.50.

ESTABLISHED 1861.

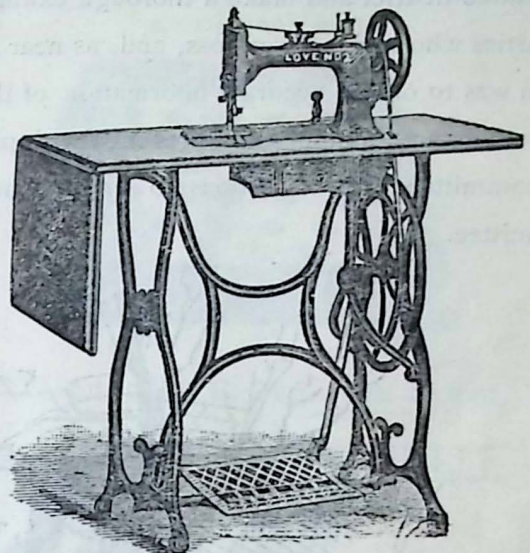
HENRY C. YUNKER, JR.,

225 E. Market, bet. Brook & Floyd,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

—AGENT FOR—

Love, Button Hole, Plain, Crown, Royal, St. John, Columbia, or any other to suit purchaser.



NO AGENTS EMPLOYED.

CALL and EXAMINE THEM.

Dealer in Needles, Attachments, and Oil for all kinds of Sewing Machines. Repairing Sewing Machines a Specialty, also Grinding of all descriptions, Machine work promptly attended to. Punch and Dies Made to Order. Agency for the Universal Patterns. Patterns sent to any address, post-paid, on receipt of the price. Album of Fashions. 64 pages, over 1,000 Large Illustrations. 20 Cents, post-paid. Subscriptions received for the Universal Magazine, only \$1.00 a year.

F. KRAUTH,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL



BUTCHER,

—AND—

SAUSAGE MANUFACTURER,

211 W. Jefferson Street,

Below Second.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

TELEPHONE 460, Ring 2.



Trade Mark
Registered

Label
Patented.

The Best on Earth

Sold Everywhere.

M. EDELMUTH,

Sole Proprietor and Manufacturer.

332 West Jefferson Street.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

The first business was the appointment of a Committee on Finance and Subscription to look after the raising of the funds. A motion that the charity organizations of the city be invited to co-operate with the board was adopted.

A Committee of Visitation and Inspection was next appointed, and its members instructed to go into the devastated district and make a thorough examination of every house which had been damaged, the names of all parties who had suffered loss, and, as near as possible, its extent. The object of this systematic examination was to obtain accurate information of those entitled to assistance, and thus preclude the schemes of counterfeits and humbugs and prevent the duplication of favors. Mr. Peyton Clarke was made chairman of this committee, with directions to send his men out at once, with instructions to report to the Executive Committee.

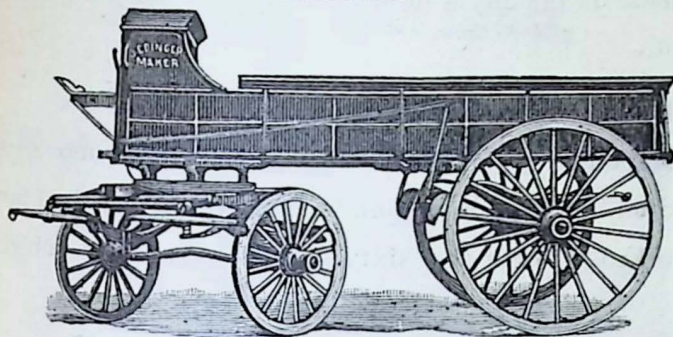


RUINS ON CHAPEL STREET.

At 5 o'clock the Executive Committee held a meeting at which a great deal of discussion and interchange of opinion and suggestion took place, and at which some important steps were adopted. The Hon. Albert Stoll, President of the Board of Aldermen, and the Hon. H. S. Tyler, President of the Council, were present as delegates for Mayor Jacob, who had sent them to co-operate with the Board of Trade.

The City Council had appropriated twenty thousand dollars for the sufferers, and appointed a committee composed of three members of the upper Board and three of the lower to act in conjunction with the Mayor in its distribution. A question which first presented itself for solution at the Executive Committee meeting was, how the city authorities and the Board of Trade should work together. It was suggested that Messrs. Stoll and Tyler be added to the Executive Committee, and that the other gentlemen mentioned in the Council

JACOB EDINGER,
Wagon • Manufacturer,
 —AND—



HORSE SHOER,
 Northeast Corner Main and Campbell Streets,
 • LOUISVILLE, KY. •

Platform Wagons a Specialty.
 • • Jobbing Promptly Attended to.

CHAS. HOWE,
 —MANUFACTURER OF—
MATTRESSES AND BEDDING,
 (EXCLUSIVELY.)



211 and 213 E. Jefferson Street,
 Telephone 1549-2. LOUISVILLE, KY.

A Large Fresh and Well Assorted Stock Constantly on Hand.
 STEAM CURED FEATHERS IN BULK
 AND MADE UP.
 SAMPLES AND PRICES FURNISHED ON APPLICATION.

CARPET BEATING AND CLEANING. Telephone 1640 RING 2.

THE LONDON CARPET CLEANING CO.
 Carpets Lifted, Dusted, Refitted, Sewed and Layed,
 CARPETS CLEANED WITHOUT REMOVING THEM FROM THE FLOOR.

W. D. BURCH, Manager,
 Office, No. 657 Third Street, LOUISVILLE, KY.

WALL PAPER CLEANED, ROBERT CARSON, of New York.
 EXPERT.

JACOB C. MEYER,

Formerly with STROUSE & NEWMAN,

Practical Plumbing, Gas and Steam Heating.

Satisfaction Guaranteed. Orders Receive Prompt Attention.
 Estimates Cheerfully Furnished.

No. 539 THIRD STREET,

Telephone 1697, Ring 2.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

resolution be considered members of the General Committee. This arrangement therefore was decided on, and the Board of Trade and the city authorities acted together.

The subject of the order in which the voluntary subscriptions and the city's money respectively should be spent was taken up and discussed. It was the prevailing sentiment, that the money obtained by the Board of Relief should be expended first, and no encroachment made on the city's money unless the former proved inadequate, and an agreement to that effect was arrived at.

REMOVAL OF THE RUBBISH.

One of the pressing movements necessary to the restoration of the damaged district was the removal of rubbish and this subject was thoroughly debated. Mr. Stoll informed the committee that the city had furnished 120 men at its own expense, sixty of whom worked at night and sixty in the day. The subject



DR. GRIFFITH'S OFFICE AND RESIDENCE.

finally took the form of a motion that a committee be appointed to act in conjunction with the City Engineer in having the debris of the cyclone removed, to employ such a force as seemed needful, at the expense of the Relief Committee.

THE FINANCIAL LOSS.

Leaving now the line of life and death, which gives the sensational interest to occasions of this kind, we go to what is a more important matter in the long run to the country, the commercial loss involved. The difficulty of making any exact prognosis of the money loss involved would be apparent to the most casual reader when we say the storm god had been invidious in his wrath, if wrath it was. He seemed to have reached his angry hand into both home and business place without purpose, snatching whole rooms out of homes and

Wm. Harlammert, Jr.

BRICK MAKER,

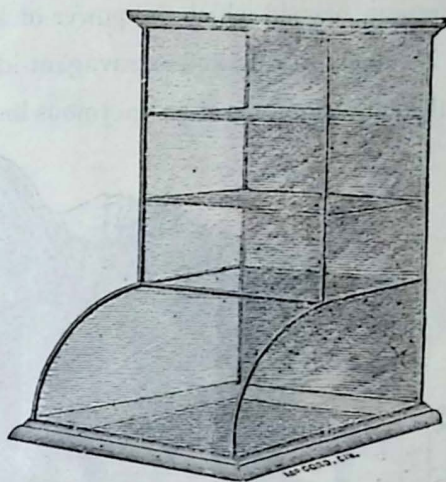
YARD ON DUMESNIL ST., S. W. COR. SEVENTEENTH.

Will deliver Brick to any part of the City or R. R. Depots, on cars, at Short notice.

Have a No. 1 quality of Brick Molding Sand, will deliver to shippers on R. R. cars.

All orders promptly filled.

BAUER & BURTON,
Manufacturers of
Show Cases and Store Fixtures,
GENERAL REPAIRING OF SHOW CASES AND
OFFICE FURNITURE



All Kinds of Cabinet Work a Specialty.

130 E. MAIN STREET,

Opp. Galt House.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

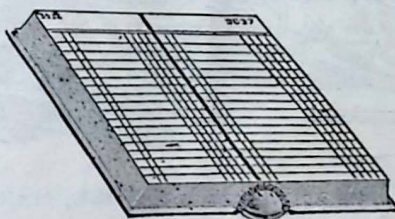
✠ M. I. SOWLE MANUFACTURING CO. ✠

No. 447 West Main Street, LOUISVILLE, KY.

BEWARE OF IMITATIONS.

It is More Durable than any other Binding.

Telephone 1331-2.



It has Two Great Advantages over the Old Style Binding.

- 1st—It makes a Book lie perfectly flat.
- 2d—It never breaks, and the leaves can not become loose.

Manufacturers of the Patent Flexible Back Blank Books.



—PATRONIZE—

J. B. BAIRD,
DRUGGIST,

Fifth and Jefferson Sts.

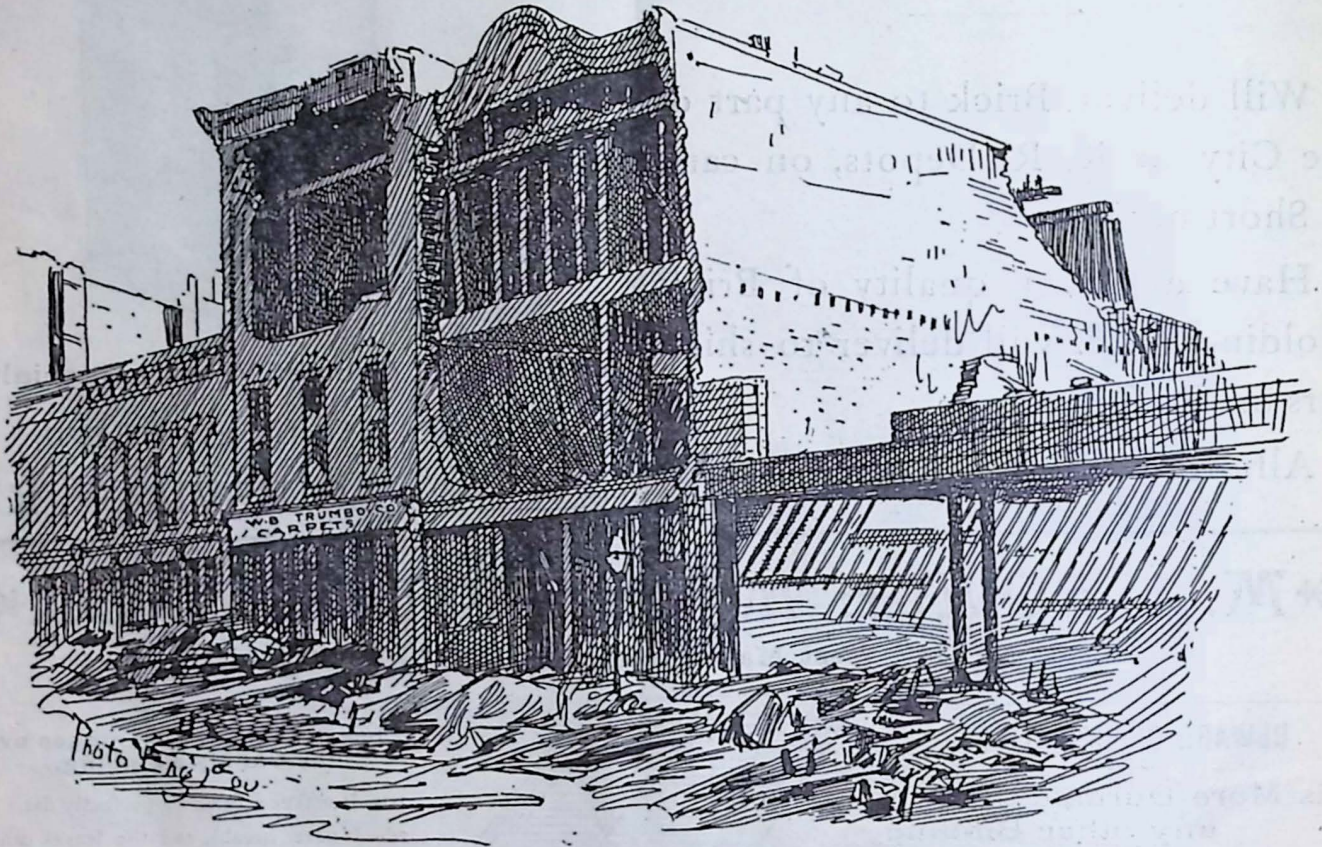
New Drug Store. Everything Fresh. Reliable, Competent Pharmacist.

TOILET ARTICLES OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Use Baird's Dandruff Eradicator and Hair Tonic, 75c per Bottle.

whole floors out of warehouses. Here a roof carried away, there a basement wrenched away, leaving the roof intact. In the dwelling portion of the city proper visited by the storm, the residences were, as a rule, of the poorer class, while here a ceiling fell, a wall caved in, a roof was torn away, the family as a general thing escaped with nothing more than bruises.

As always happens in the first shock and excitement of a sudden and unexpected calamity, the tendency is to view it as greater than it afterward resolves itself to be. There is a point easily passed in circumstances like the present, beyond which the power of accurate computation seems to suffer a species of paralysis, and the mind is subject to wild and extravagant ideas about visible facts. It was such a condition that gave currency to the earlier reports of an enormous loss of life and the ruin of many millions of dollars in buildings



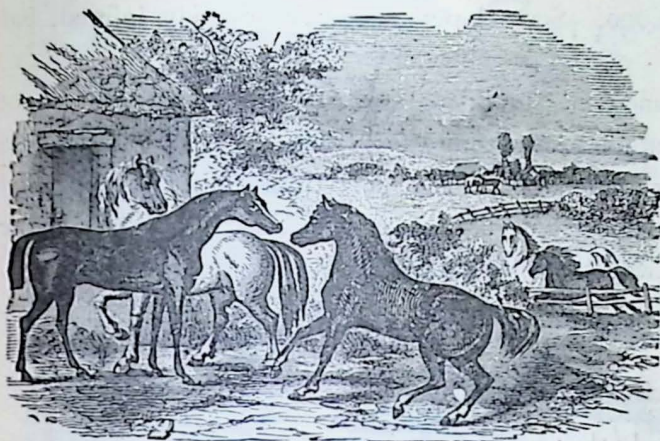
WRECK OF TRUMBO & COMPANY'S STORE, MARKET STREET.

and property which so excited the shuddering sympathy of the country through its whole extent. But the calmer season has now come to control a calculation based upon more positive information and the known commercial values invaded by the whirling monster.

Careful estimates by competent underwriters and salvage agents are nearly agreed that the damage to buildings of all classes, to domestic goods and commercial stocks in the tornado area will aggregate close to two millions and a half, with a liberal allowance for rebuilding and repairs, divided up as follows:

Main Street.....	\$1,000,000
Market Street	725,000
Jefferson Street	150,000
Walnut Street	50,000
Chestnut Street	100,000
Magazine Street	60,000
Cross Streets from Seventh to Fourteenth	415,000
	2,500,000

DR. E. A. BELLIS,
Veterinary Surgeon and Dentist,



OFFICE:
No. 1007 West Broadway,
Telephone 458-3. LOUISVILLE, KY.
Calls Answered NIGHT or DAY.

W. B. TRUMBO, Pres.

R. K. ARMSTRONG, Sec'y.

W. B. TRUMBO & CO.

—DEALERS IN—

Furniture,

CARPETS AND OIL CLOTH,

934 WEST MARKET STREET,

TELEPHONE 1408-2.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

WM. TILLMAN, President.

J. G. McCULLOCH, Vice-Prest.

J. T. GATHRIGHT, Cashier.

KENTUCKY SAVINGS BANK,

342 Market Street, near Fourth.

CAPITAL, = \$100,000.

Only Strictly Savings Bank in the City,

PAYS INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

Loans Money on Long Time on Real Estate, and
on First-Class Collaterals.

~~~~~  
DIRECTORS~~~~~

WM. TILLMAN, Cashier Falls City Bank.  
M. J. STRENG, Bamberger, Streng & Co., Wholesale Shoes.  
J. G. McCULLOCH, President Southern News Company.  
A. L. SCHMIDT, President First National Bank.  
J. W. E. BAYLY, J. W. E. Bayly & Co., Fire Insurance.

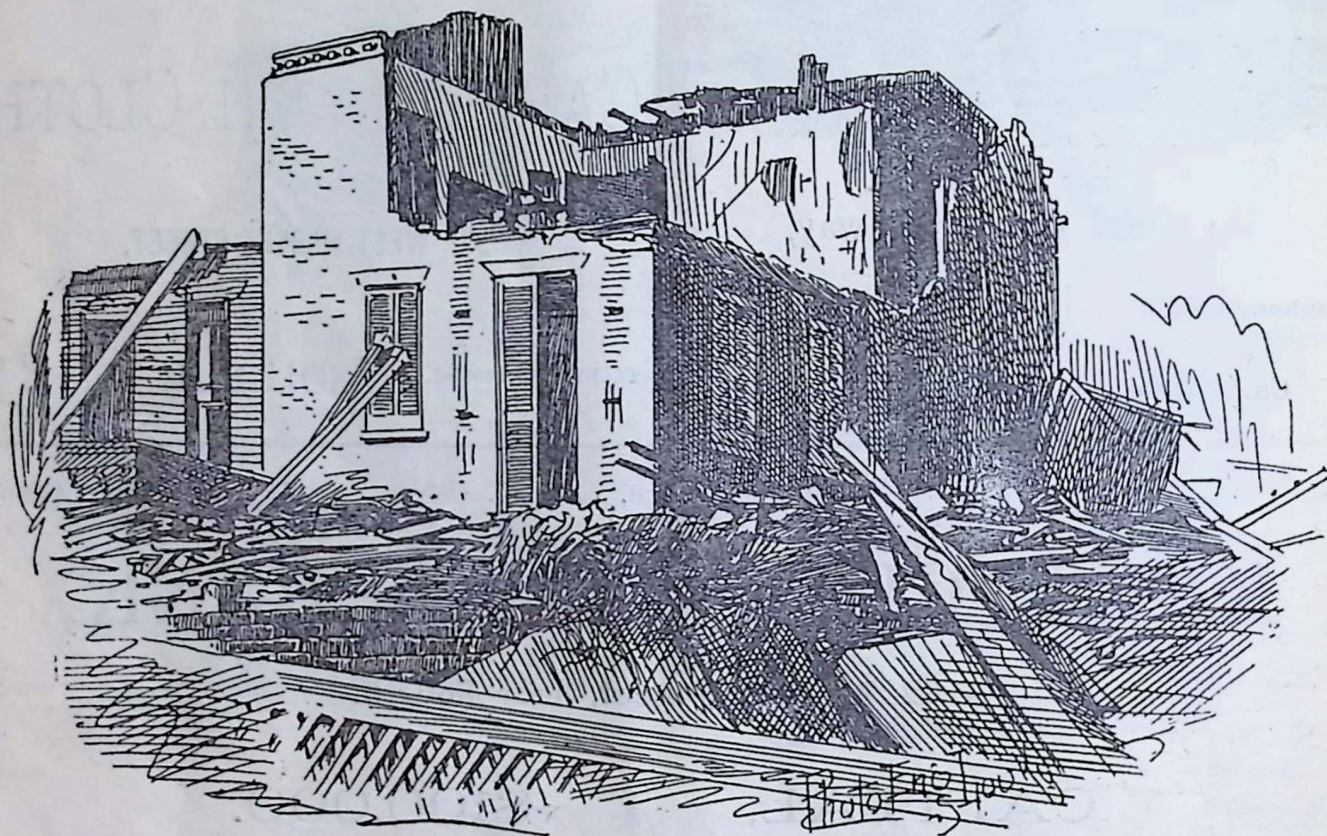
W. H. McKNIGHT, W. H. McKnight & Co., Wholesale Carpets.  
H. H. LITTELL, Superintendent Louisville City Railway Co.  
LOUIS SEELBACH, Seelbach's European Hotel.  
J. T. GATHRIGHT, late J. T. Gathright & Co.,  
Wholesale Saddlery.



## JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.

The tornado struck the river between Seventh and Ninth streets, skimmed across the mile and a half of rolling muddy water and landed in Indiana at the foot of Front street. Nearly all of the houses on nine squares of the river front in Jeffersonville were either totally destroyed or badly wrecked by the storm. It is estimated that the damage will amount to about \$75,000. Several persons were severely injured, but fortunately no lives were lost.

It had been raining and the ominous peals of thunder and generally dismal aspect of the weather had kept most of the people at home. Consequently, when the storm broke upon them with all its fury they were wholly unprepared. None of the buildings in the interior of the city suffered more than the loss of roofs and chimneys. Brick houses toppled over like nine-pins, and above the roar of the tempest could be heard the shrieks of frightened men, women and children. The air was fairly black with flying debris of all description.



A SCENE IN JEFFERSONVILLE.

Great trees were torn up by the roots, stone walls were cast down, and in some instances small frame cottages were literally hurled across the streets. Spring street, the main thoroughfare, was strewn with brick and broken timber from Front to Market street.

When the sun rose on Jeffersonville the next day a scene of desolation and ruin was revealed in the southern part of the city. Houses that a few short hours before had been happy homes were leveled to the ground, and dire misfortune was apparent on every hand.

The terrible hurricane frisked sportively about, tearing up the walls of a building here and there, then skipping past others, but in numerous instances leaving reminders of its awful visit.

When the cyclone had passed away and a temporary calm settled upon the city, the streets were thronged with hundreds of people. The homeless ones were taken in and given shelter for the night, and, the electric lights having ceased to burn, men patrolled the streets with lanterns, extinguishing incipient fires here and there.

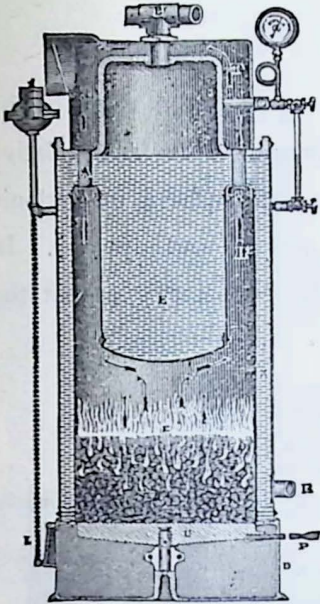


STEAM and HOT WATER HEATING.

✻ H. W. NEWMAN ✻

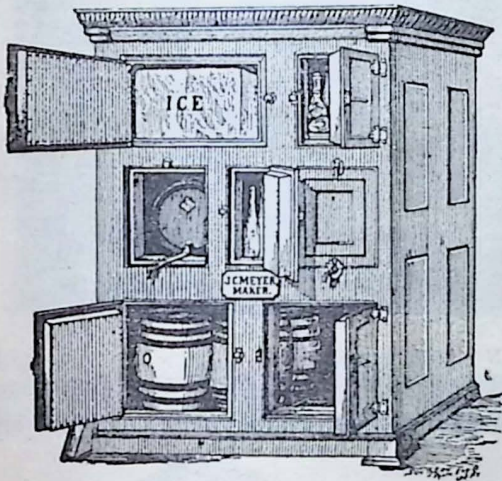
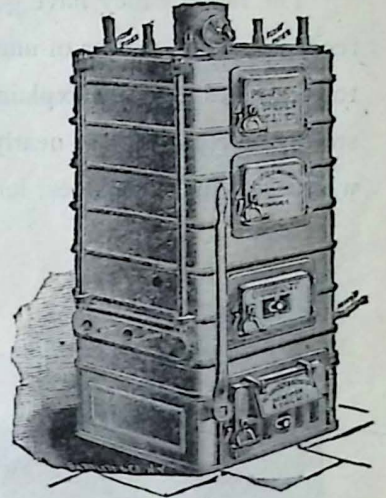
(Successor to STROUSE & NEWMAN.)

PLUMBER, GAS AND STEAM FITTER,  
Natural Gas Fitting and Fixtures.



Agent for the "DUPLEX" Steam Boiler,  
and the "PERFECT" Hot Water Boiler.

NO. 320 GREEN STREET,  
BET. THIRD & FOURTH STS.,  
LOUISVILLE, KY.



JOHN C. MEYER,

MANUFACTURER OF

• **ICE BOXES.** •

SOLE AGENT FOR THE  
IMPROVED • PEERLESS • AIR • COMPRESSOR  
AND BEER PUMP.

417 & 419 W. Green St., LOUISVILLE, KY.

ROLLED  
PLATED  
CHAINS,  
ETC.

SPECTACLES  
IN GOLD,  
SILVER,  
STEEL, ETC.



A FULL STOCK  
—OF—

WATCH  
MATERIAL

—OF ALL—  
MANUFACTURERS.

CORNER Fourth &  
Jefferson Street.  
LOUISVILLE Ky.



## TORNADOES.

### RECORD OF VISITATIONS FOR THE PAST ONE HUNDRED YEARS.—INTERESTING STATISTICS.

At this time any information about tornadoes will be received with general interest, since the subject is one which comes directly home to the hearts of the people here. The Signal Service office has a complete record, giving full information about all the great storms for more than one hundred years past. So carefully has it been made up from old files and records that, in the entire time, it is thought that no more than two or three storms of any magnitude have been omitted.

### RECORD OF STORMS.

"The records they have go back as far as 1784 and are as complete as it is possible to make them. The records contain matter of unusual interest just at this time, since the nature, origin, and other facts relative to tornadoes are fully explained. The authorities show that the disturbances of the atmosphere in cyclonic storms take place more nearly horizontal than vertical, the currents passing spirally inward and upward. In whirlwinds and tornadoes, for whirlwinds may be considered incipient tornadoes, the peculiarity is that the



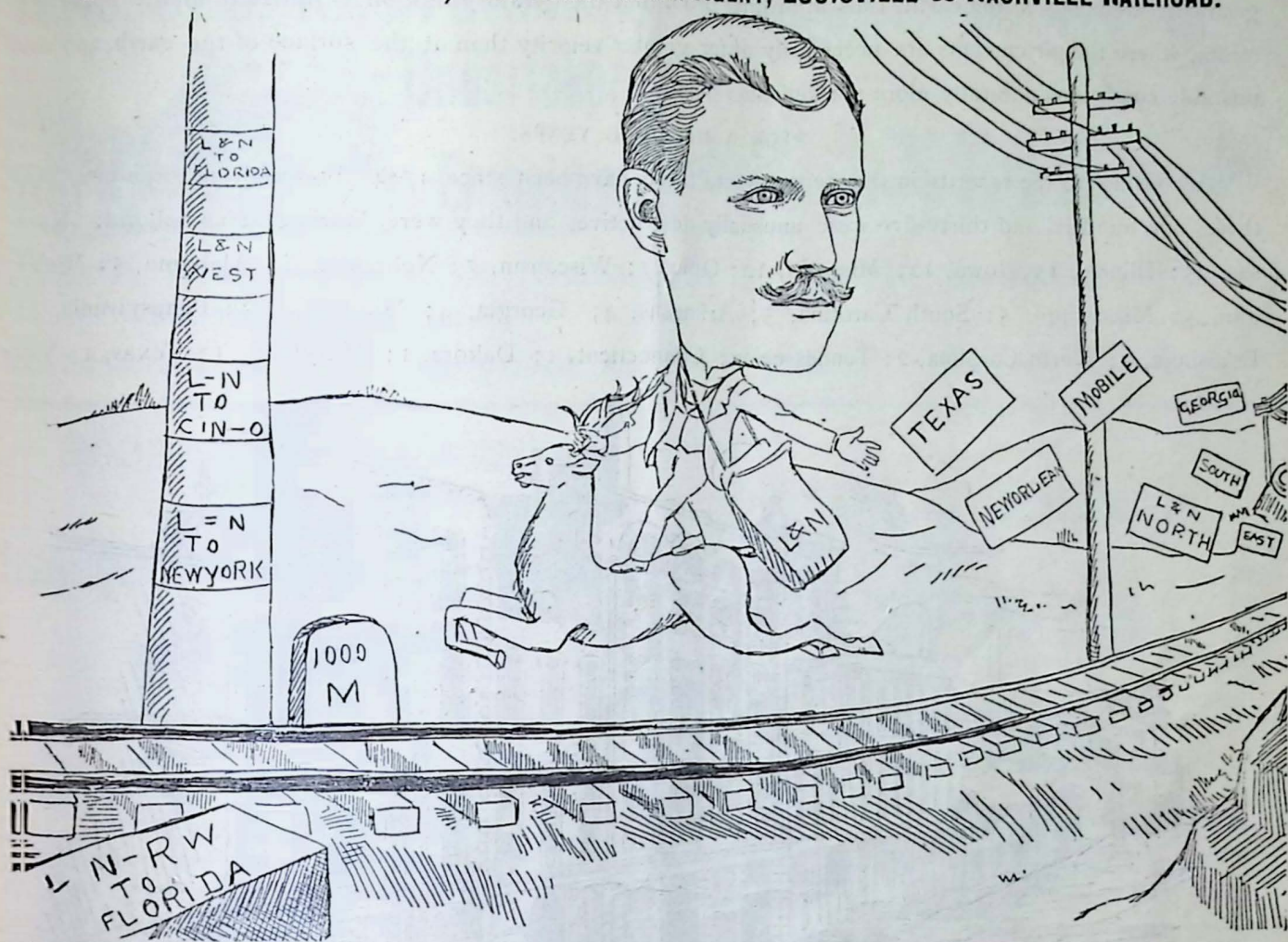
CENTRAL TOBACCO WAREHOUSE, MAIN STREET.

disturbance occurs more nearly vertical than horizontal. This is the chief difference between cyclones and tornadoes.

"So far as the formation of tornadoes is concerned, it appears certain that a state of unstable atmospheric equilibrium exists, which most likely is due to or coexistent with very rapid diminutions of temperature with altitude, thus causing vertically very large temperature gradients and marked contrasts of vapor conditions. In such case the presence of strong, warm, moist winds produces conditions wherein the state of the lower atmosphere is liable to sudden and violent changes. In connection with such rapid transference of air, it requires only a slight predisposing cause to set up a gyratory motion, and thus induce violent winds known as tornadoes. When this current is once set in motion it naturally propagates itself along such line and in such direction as similar unstable atmospheric conditions may chance to prevail. It is noticeable that this gyratory motion, as indicated by the general formation of the tornado cloud, forms in the upper air strata and



**H. T. JOHNSON, CITY ADVERTISING AGENT, LOUISVILLE & NASHVILLE RAILROAD.**



## DR. RICE'S MEDICAL INSTITUTE,

No. 322 West Market Street, LOUISVILLE, KY.

—CURES ALL—

### Private, Chronic and Sexual Diseases,



Loss of Manhood fully restored and permanently cured. Syphilis entirely eradicated from the system. No Mercury. Gleet, Piles, and other Sexual Diseases Speedily Cured.

Consultation free, and confidential. Call or write. His Private Counselor, 25 Cents.

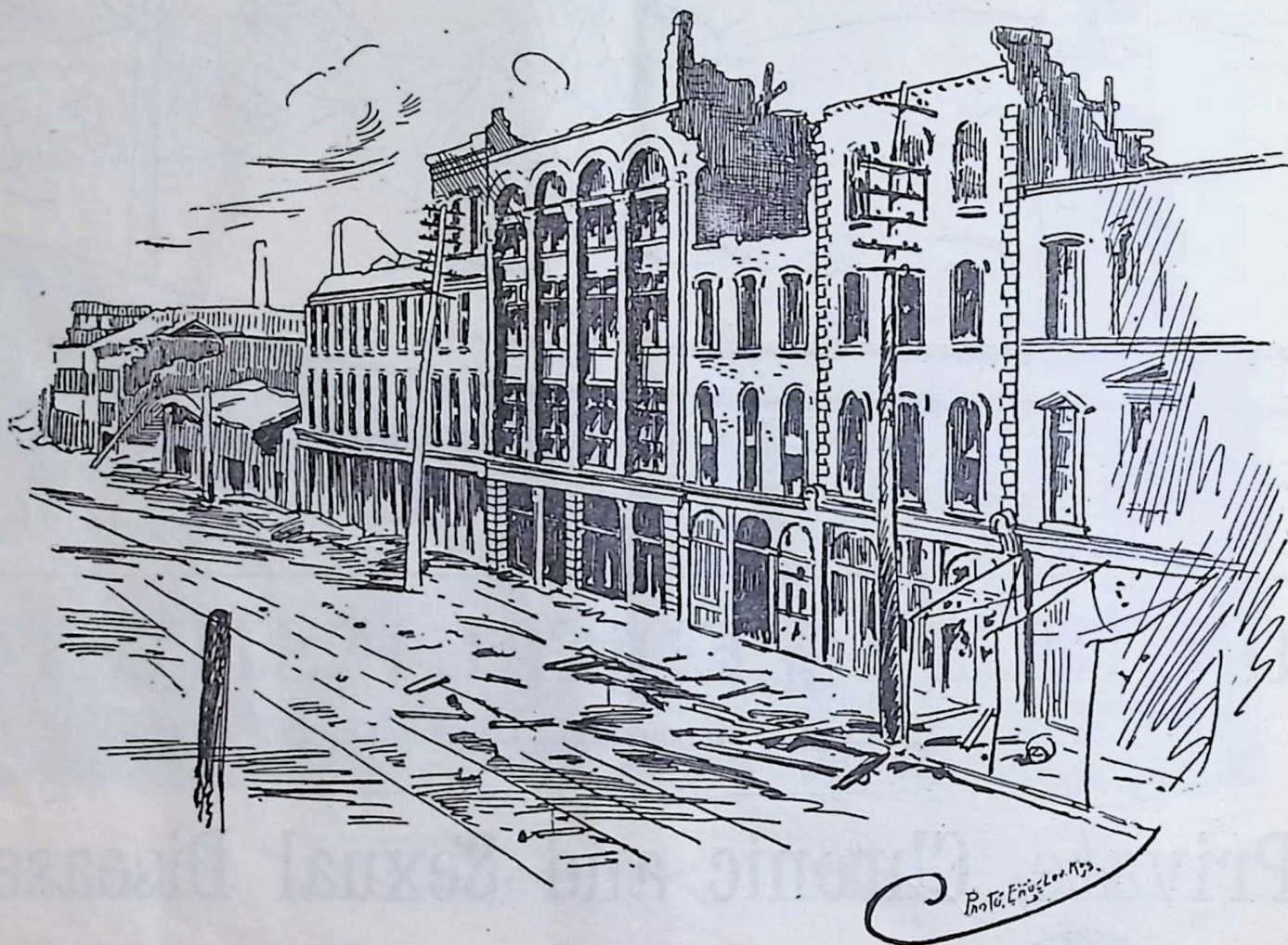
OFFICE HOURS: 8 to 12 A. M., 2 to 4 P. M.  
Sunday, 2 to 4 P. M.



gradually descends to the earth, thus affording proof that the gyratory motion is initiated in the upper air strata, where the air currents are necessarily of far greater velocity than at the surface of the earth and the unstable conditions naturally more marked than below.

#### FOR A HUNDRED YEARS.

"According to the records in the department, there have been since 1784 six hundred tornadoes. Of these, one hundred and thirty-five were unusually destructive, and they were distributed as follows: Kansas, 25; Illinois, 15; Iowa, 12; Missouri, 12; Ohio, 7; Wisconsin, 7; Nebraska, 6; Alabama, 5; Michigan, 5; Mississippi, 5; South Carolina, 5; Arkansas, 4; Georgia, 4; Minnesota, 3; Pennsylvania, 3; Louisiana, 2; North Carolina, 2; Tennessee, 2; Connecticut, 1; Dakota, 1; Maryland, 1; Texas, 1; Vir-



MAIN STREET, BETWEEN EIGHTH AND NINTH.

ginia, 1. Not one of importance struck Kentucky previous to the one of March 27. The one here at that time, however, proved to be the most destructive so far as property is concerned of any on record and was the third greatest in point of loss of life, the only two which were more disastrous in that particular having both occurred in Mississippi, one in 1840 and the other in 1842.

The hour during which the greatest number of tornadoes have occurred is from 5 to 6 o'clock p. m. The next hour was from 4 to 5 o'clock p. m.

#### THEIR FAVORITE COURSE.

Of the tornadoes, the course of which have been recorded, 304 moved from southwest to northeast, like the



MRS. GEO. RATTERMAN,



Undertaker  
—AND—  
Embalmer,  
DEALER IN

ALL KINDS OF BURIAL CASES.

No. 1119 Market Street,

11th and 12th Streets.

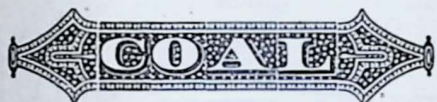
LOUISVILLE, KY.

ROBERT G. ARMSTRONG,

(Formerly HIBBITT & ARMSTRONG.)

—DEALER IN—

Best Quality of Pittsburgh and Other



No. 350 THIRD AVENUE,

Near Jefferson Street,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

TELEPHONE 138, RING 2.

IH. WOLKE & BRO.,

MANUFACTURERS OF

BEDROOM SUITS  
AND WARDROBES,

524, 526, 528 E. Main Street,

+

LOUISVILLE, KY.

RUDOLPH & BAUER,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

CANDIES

226 W. Market St.,

TELEPHONE 1606, Ring 2.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

MAX J. DRACH.

JOHN H. THOMAS.

DRACH & THOMAS,

ARCHITECTS,

Southeast Cor. Fifth and Main Streets,

THIRD FLOOR.

ENTRANCE  
ON FIFTH STREET.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

D. B. CONWAY & BRO.,

Sign Writers,

344 W. Main St.

E. LOUIS BIERBAUM.

TELEPHONE 635-2.

JOHN S. STRASSEL.

BIERBAUM & CO.

Successors to RADEMAKER & STRASSEL,

Manufacturers of and Dealers in

Paints, Oils, Varnishes and Window Glass,

No. 235 W. MARKET STREET,

ARTISTS' MATERIALS.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

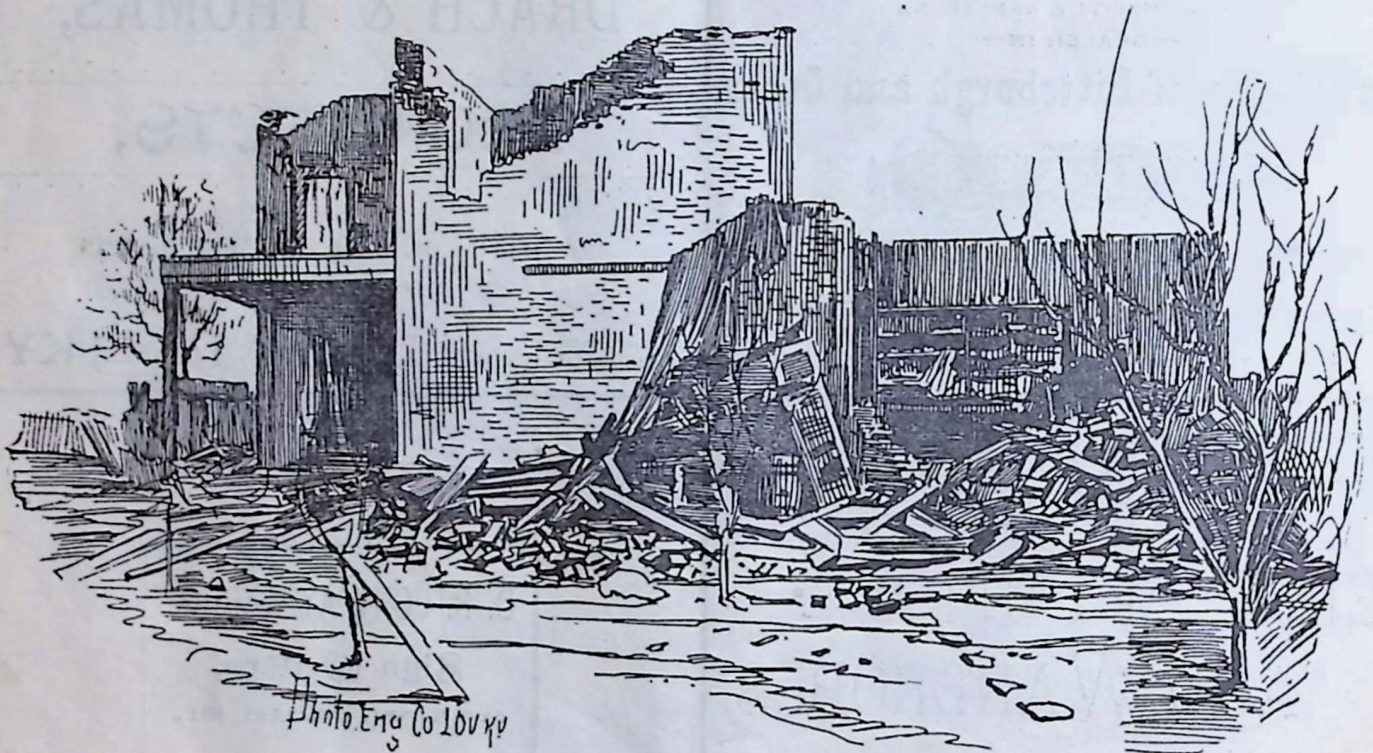


one here; 35 from northwest to southeast, 15 from west-southwest to east-northeast, 15 from west to east, 6 from south-southwest to north-northeast, five from west-northwest to east-southeast, 3 from north-northwest to south-southeast.

The width of the path of destruction varies from forty to 10,000 feet, the average being 1,085. The velocity of progression of the storm cloud, as determined from reports in 130 cases, varied from twelve to sixty miles, the average being 30.08 miles. The time consumed by the tornado cloud in passing a given point varies from ten seconds to thirty minutes, the average being 6:52 minutes.

#### SHAPE OF THE MONSTERS.

Of the 234 cases in which the form of the tornado cloud was reported 209 were designated as funnel shaped, nine cone shaped, seven inverted cones point to point, one a serpent-like column, one like a balloon and one a dense rolling mass. The length of the tornado's track, as reported in 100 cases, varied from two



A SCENE IN JEFFERSONVILLE.

to 250 miles, the average being 28.35 miles. Of 472 cases in which the atmospheric conditions preceding tornadoes were observed, 410 were reported as violent thunder storms and 145 as particularly sultry and oppressive.

Of five hundred and twenty-two cases in which the direction of the destructive wind was reported, one hundred and fifty-six came from the southwest, one hundred and fifty-one from the northwest, one hundred and sixteen from the west, one hundred and three from the north, eight from the northeast, one from the south and one from the southeast.

#### VIOLENCE AND VELOCITY.

The velocity of the wind within the cloud vortex was variously estimated at from seventy to eight hundred miles an hour, the average being three hundred and ninety-two miles. The rotary movement of the whirling cloud was invariably from right to left, or the opposite movement of the hands of a watch.



**G. W. CARR**

# THE TAILOR,

AND DEALER IN GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,

No. 86 SPRING STREET,

Agt. Famous Steam Laundry.

JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.

**GEO. W. FINLEY,**

## PHOTOGRAPHER,

No. 61 Spring Street, JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.



**GEO. J. LIEBEL,**

## Jeweler <sup>AND</sup> Optician

—DEALER IN—

WATCHES, CLOCKS, SILVERWARE, ETC.

Fine Watch Repairing a Specialty.

51 Spring Street, JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.

**CHAS. K. RUNYON, D. D. S.,**

Jeffersonville, Ind.

DENTAL OFFICE, 16 W. Market St., below Spring.

**MEADER'S**

**CUT RATE  
TICKET OFFICES.  
CUT RATE**

Louisville, Ky., 209 Fourth Ave.  
Cincinnati, O., 52 W. Fourth St.

**Cut Rates to All Points.**

**F. S. OLMSTEAD,**

Manager Louisville Office.

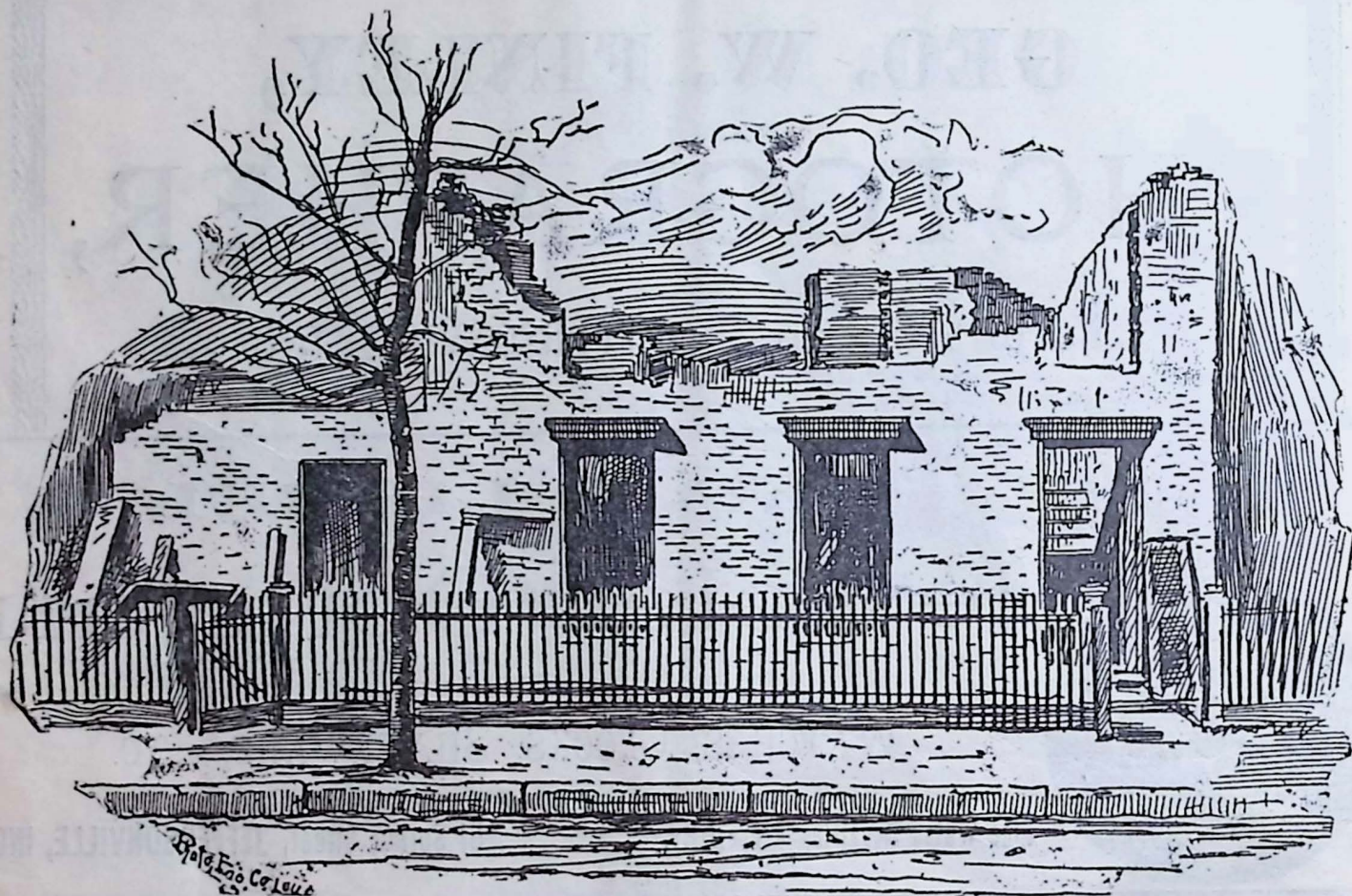
Temporary Location in Louisville, 215 Fourth Ave.



No season or month of the year is exempt from the occurrence of tornadoes. June is the month in which they most frequently occur, and summer is the season of greatest frequency. According to the records the tornadoes have been distributed in the months as follows: June 101; April, ninety-six; July, ninety-seven; May, eighty-two; September, forty-nine; August, forty-two; March, thirty-seven; November, twenty-two; February, nineteen; October, fifteen; December, nine; January, seven.

#### HOW DISTRIBUTED.

The storms have been distributed throughout the States as follows: Kansas 62, Illinois 53, Missouri 43, New York 35, Georgia 33, Iowa 32, Ohio 28, Indiana 25, Minnesota 22, North Carolina 18, Pennsylvania 18, Texas 18, Tennessee 18, South Carolina 14, Michigan 15, Alabama 14, Nebraska 14, Mississippi 14, Louisiana 10, Wisconsin 10, Massachusetts 9, Dakota 9, Virginia 9, Arkansas 8, Maryland 8, Connecticut



A SCENE IN JEFFERSONVILLE.

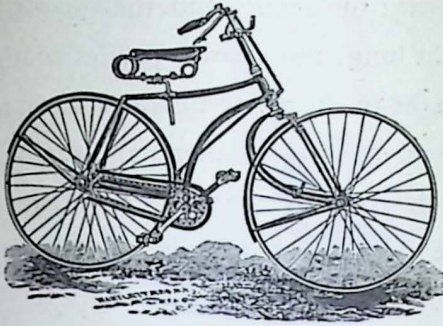
5, Kentucky 6, Florida 5, New Hampshire 5, New Jersey 6, Maine 3, Arizona 2, Vermont 2, Colorado 1, California 1, Indian Territory 1, Nevada 1, New Mexico 1, Montana 1, Rhode Island 1, West Virginia 1, Wyoming Territory 1.

#### RECOVERING FROM THE SHOCK.

The day after the elements smiled kindly upon the dismantled territory traversed by the fierce visitant of March 27, and the work of searching for the dead, removal of merchandise, and repair of damages to shattered buildings and homes went forward without a moment's cessation. If possible, the throngs of sight-seers were even larger than the day previous, when the woful spectacle was first unfolded to the light of day in all its multiform hideousness.



# VICTOR.



## EVERY ONE KNOWS

the reputation the OVERMAN WHEEL CO. have established in the manufacture of their Celebrated Victor Bicycles, and we are confident if you will call and see their

### "90" PATTERN SAFETY

you will have no other. The Lightest Running, Best Coaster, and gives its rider the most Comfort on the road of any wheel made; and last but not least, it

### IS THE PRETTIEST

of them all. A large stock of Victor Light Roadsters and Boys Juniors.

## JEFFERIS BROS.,

SOLE AGENTS,

3110 W. Main Street, LOUISVILLE, KY.

Open until 8:30 P. M.

J. D. STILZ, Manager.

## LOUISVILLE PRESERVING CO.

MANUFACTURERS OF

## Preserves, Jellies, Fruit Butters,

## AND MINCE MEATS,

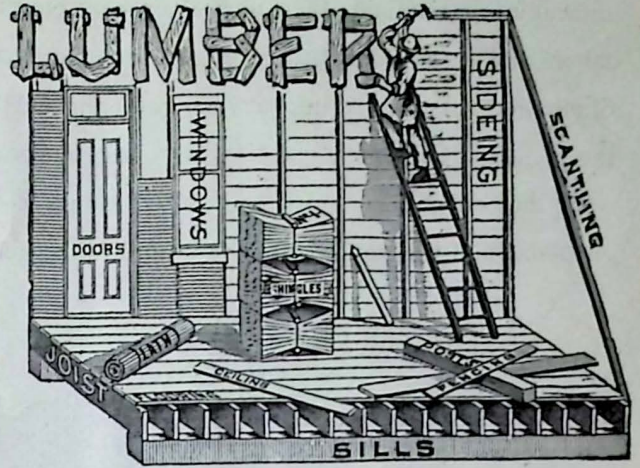
153 Fifth Street,

200 Main and River.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Telephone 631-2

## J. GEO. STEINACKER,



## SHINGLES, LATH, &C.

717 & 719 Preston St.,

Bet. Walnut & Madison.

## LOUISVILLE, KY.

TELEPHONE 439, Ring 2.

ESTABLISHED 1856



## GEORGE WOLF & CO.

### JEWELERS

Cor. Fourth and Jefferson. LOUISVILLE, KY.

Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Silverware, Clocks,  
Lamps, Bric-a-Brac.

LATEST DESIGNS.

LOWEST PRICES.



Early trains brought hundreds of curious visitors and agents of relief from neighboring cities and towns to swell the multitude of those who wended with a local interest toward the scene, and the guards had much difficulty in maintaining their lines against the pressure. All night long, the search parties continued their labors, and the sound of rattling wagons rose out of every street in the territory, and earliest dawn fresh relays of men and horses came into service, gathering and removing the wreckage and merchandise that cumbered the ground. Carpenters and tinnerns worked like beavers the whole day, trying to repair broken roofs and strengthen dangerously weakened walls. Gangs of linemen were getting the tangled and broken poles of telephone and telegraph out of the way of further repairs.



CUSCADER'S BUILDING, MARKET STREET.

Coatless merchants labored alongside their clerks, accountants and porters, in striving to wrest something from the maws of the wreck.

Meanwhile the solemn toll of church bells, the frequent passage of laden hearses and long lines of funeral carriages gave note to the hurrying crowd that the tornado's victims were passing to their last abodes.

#### PANIC AT THE COUNCIL.

THE CITY SOLONS IN SESSION WHEN THE CYCLONE CAME.—EVERYBODY ALMOST FRANTIC WITH FEAR AND THE MEETING SOON DISPERSED.

When the storm broke forth in all its fury the General Council was in session at the City Hall. The wind



**GEO. W. CUSCADEN,**

1034 W. Market Street,

**Cake Baker, General Confectioner,**

AND ICE CREAM MANUFACTURER.

—CAPACITY, 300 GALLONS PER DAY—

ICE CREAM delivered to all parts of the City and shipped to all Rail-  
way Stations.

WEDDINGS and PARTIES Served on Short Notice.

TARPAULINS FOR RENT TO DANCING PARTIES.

CANDY BOILED FOR CANDY PULLINGS.

THE BEST SODA WATER IN THE CITY.

TELEPHONE 518, RING 4.

**DUTTON INSTALLMENT CO.,**

—DEALERS IN—

**Chamber Suites, Parlor Suites,**

FOLDING BEDS AND LOUNGES,

Side Boards, Center and Extension Tables, Safes, Pictures, Mirrors, Chairs, &c.

**ON EASY PAYMENTS OR FOR CASH,**

No. 1032 W. Market Street,

Between Tenth and Eleventh,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

JOHN GREINER.

TOBE GREINER.

ED. GREINER.

**JOHN GREINER AND BROS.**



1100, 1102, 1104 Garden and Walnut Streets,

TELEPHONE 1030-2.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

**CHAS. C. BOSSUNG,**

*Practical Stencil Cutter,*

And SEAL ENGRAVER,

No. 214 West Main Street,

Telephone 735-2.

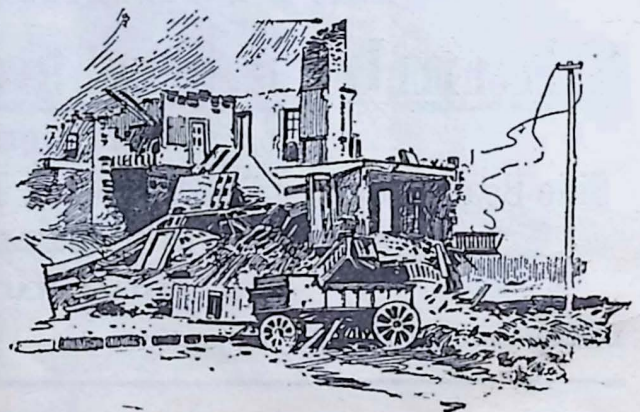
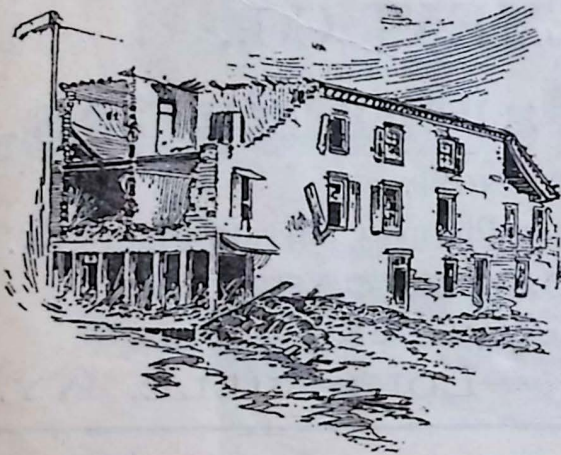
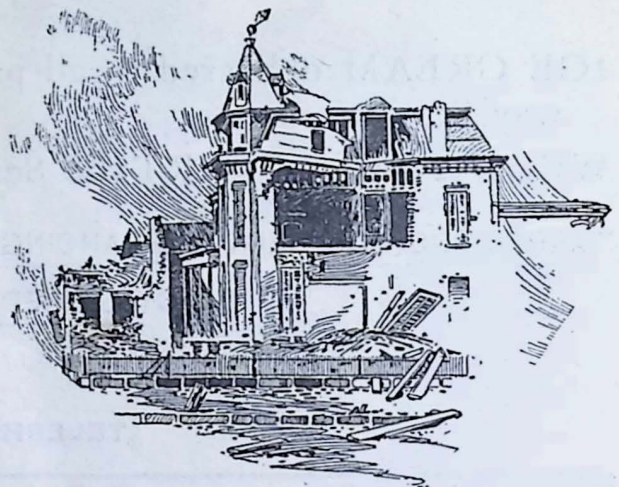
LOUISVILLE, KY.

MAIL ORDERS SOLICITED and WORK EXECUTED PROMPTLY.



came with a terrible roar, followed by the rain. The sound of the crashing of glass came at the same instant. Some of the windows were up, and the wind almost blew out the gas.

There was a large crowd in the City Hall, many visitors being present, as the session was to be one of interest. Nearly everybody rushed out of the Council Chambers into the corridors and made a mad dash for the steps leading into the basement. Many ran out of the building. Every one was in a state of terror, and when the storm had subsided it was all that could be done to get the Councilmen and Aldermen to return to their seats.



When they did so the fire bells began to ring and the excitement was intense. Shortly another fire alarm rang, and the people began to get frantic and moved about uneasily in their seats. When the report came in that a number of people had been killed, the excitement was tremendous. Order was restored and both bodies adjourned and in a rush left the City Hall, all anxious to get to their homes.

Soon every one had gone and the City Hall was in darkness. The building was only slightly damaged and the loss was trifling.



# Photo Engraving Co.

COR. SIXTH & MARKET STS.,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

## ENGRAVINGS

For all ILLUSTRATIVE PURPOSES.

The Practical Workman, formerly with Geo. Cross.

A NEEDED ENTERPRISE,



THE CUT RATE UMBRELLA STORE.

UMBRELLAS FOR SALE OR FOR RENT.

403 Third St., one Door South of Jefferson.

## FRANK C. LUDWIG, The Tailor,

544 E. JEFFERSON STREET,

Bet. Jackson & Hancock,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

SUITS MADE TO ORDER AT LOWEST PRICES.

FIT GUARANTEED.



CONSULTATION STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.

WHAT YOU DON'T SEE, WRITE ME.

## HERMAN FLETCHER,

Machinist,

Consulting Engineer & Purchasing Agent,  
28 YEARS EXPERIENCE.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

All work and contracts will receive prompt attention.

If you have new ideas, will perfect them.

Will aid the Inventor in advancing his Inventions.

## ✧ L. HEINIG ✧

## Tin Tobacco Tags of All Kinds,

PLAIN AND DECORATED.

Enameled, Embossed and Colored Tin Tobacco Tags,  
Plain and Decorated Tin Boxes of All Kinds.

NO. 228 EIGHTH STREET,

LOUISVILLE, KY.

## ✧ BUCKINGHAM THEATRE ✧

LOUISVILLE, KY.

WHALLEN BROS., Prop's and Managers.

COL. SAVAGE, Treasurer.

## The Finest and Best Appointed Theatre in the Southwest.

~~~~~  
Nothing but the Very Best Combinations and Specialty Artists will be engaged. All the first-class Burlesque and Vaudeville Combinations are booked at this house for the coming Season.

A GREAT WORK ENDED APRIL 26.

THE TASK OF AIDING THE TORNADO SUFFERERS COMPLETED.

The Relief Committee have vacated the office in the Board of Trade building, having accomplished successfully the great work of taking care of the tornado sufferers without asking for outside aid. The Executive Committee performed one of the most important acts in its work when it appropriated the sum of \$15,000 to be paid out in monthly pensions to the widows and orphans of those who lost their lives in the tornado. There were seventy-one death cases and five cases of serious injury in which the committee decided to extend relief monthly for the next eighteen months. This work has been in charge of Col. Tom Sherley and J. F. Weller, who have personally investigated each case and reported separately, showing just what



AFTER THE TORNADO.

the dead men contributed to the support of their families, the condition of the survivors and what is needed. The relief has been so apportioned that it will not tend to pauperize the recipients by giving them more than they have lost. In some cases mortgages have been raised from the homes of poor widows, and they have all been given the help necessary to keep them from want until they can become self-sustaining. The sum of \$15,000 is now in bank to supply these pensions. The house repair checks have all been distributed except in a very few cases that have not yet been adjusted. This concluded the work of the Relief Committee, and the members have returned to their various private businesses, which they had almost abandoned to devote themselves to the work of charity.